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ALTHOUGH it is evident from Exchequer returns for the year just ended that the result is below the expectations. On the Exchequer estimated surplus on ordinary account of £431m. It subsequently reduced proposals for the budget and by a large supplementary £231m., but in the end there is a surplus of more than £200m. The main reason is a shortfall in anticipated revenues of no less than £223m., which was partly offset by a £47m. on the estimate of expenditure. It is clear that the revenue has been considerably affected by the trade which began shortly after the budget and persisted through the summer autumn.

It is against a somewhat promising background that it is necessary to consider the prospects for the coming year. Estimates of ordinary expenditure may be put around £4,220m., at the same time last year £4,130m. less than last year's actual expenditure. If the Chancellor were to budget for the same revenue as last year's actual receipts of £4,439m.—he would have a surplus of a little over £200m., which he might regard as less than enough. Last year's tax changes were estimated to bring in an additional £53m. this year, but even with that, the surplus would still be little above £100m. Budget prospects therefore depend on two factors, which it is impossible to forecast. Will he reduce his estimates of expenditure, or will he increase them? And, secondly, how far can he budget, at all, for an improved buoyancy of the tax revenues? Unless he can do one or both of these things, the outlook does not appear altogether rosy.

NEVERTHELESS, if the Chancellor is to fulfil the outline of policy in the Economic Survey just published it must be assumed that he will somehow find the means of easing the tax burden, especially at the point of company profits, where it is most damaging to the public interest. When the Survey speaks of the re-equipment of industry and the maintenance of full efficiency as being "of vital importance" it can be said without fear of contradiction that neither of these things is being, nor can be done without a cut in the taxation of profits. There are, of course, other deserving claimants for relief as well, and "deserving" means those who will use the benefit of tax concessions to increase the nation's productive resources.

## Unemployed Monstrate

A group of unemployed demonstrators in front of the Soviet Embassy in Tehran today demanding asylum. They were told by Embassy officials to approach the Persian Labour Ministry.

Later, after some demonstrators stoned military troops, troops dispersed them. Some soldiers

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## "Honourable Armistice"

### In Korea, Hopes OPTIMISM STIRRED BY PROCEEDINGS AT PANMUNJOM

United Nations, Apr. 7.  
The United States officially expressed the hope tonight that the present progress in Korea would result in "an honourable armistice."

An Army spokesman in Washington said today that the first group of sick and wounded United Nations prisoners from Korea can be expected home within a week to 10 days after an actual exchange begins in the battle area.

Major-General S. B. Hayes, Deputy Surgeon-General of the Army, said that all the men able to travel will be flown to the United States almost immediately.

Developments at Panmunjom, meanwhile, stirred optimism here that the Communists' ready agreement to exchange ailing and sick prisoners could lead to an early end of the Korean war.

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## UN ELECT NEW CHIEF

United Nations, Apr. 7.  
Mr Dag Hammarskjöld of Sweden today was elected Secretary-General of the United Nations by a General Assembly vote of 57-1, with one abstention.

Mr Hammarskjöld is expected to leave Sweden, where he is relinquishing his post as Minister of State, on Wednesday and arrive in New York by air on Thursday morning. He will take over the office on Friday.

Mr Hammarskjöld succeeds Mr Trygve Lie of Norway, who resigned last November in the face of the Soviet boycott that lasted since he took a firm stand against Communist aggression in Korea in 1950 and under heavy criticism for his policy of co-operation with the United States in attempting to rid the UN Secretariat of American subversive elements.

Mr Hammarskjöld will take over the \$65,000 a year post for a five-year term.—United Press.

## Important 4-Power Meeting

Berlin, Apr. 7.  
The Western Allied and Soviet representatives tonight opened air safety conferences which might be the forerunner of a full-scale Four-Power meeting on the German question.

The negotiators met at Soviet headquarters in an East Berlin district in the first of a series of talks called by General Vasily Chulikov, Soviet commander in Germany, to discuss means of avoiding "undesirable air incidents."

It was the first Four-Power meeting here since July 1951, when economic and transport experts met to discuss Soviet restrictions on traffic to the West.

That meeting ended in a stalemate.

The Four-Power meeting today is the outgrowth of the British-Soviet air talks held here last week. The Soviets invited the Americans and French to join the talks and the proposal was accepted.

The Soviets called the original Soviet-British conference in answer to the Western Allied protest against Soviet fighter attacks last month on British aircraft.

The attacks resulted in the destruction of a Lincoln bomber and the death of the bomber's seven-man crew.—United Press.

## Consternation Caused By Statement

Singapore, Apr. 7.  
Further sharp falls in the price of tin and rubber in Singapore were today partly attributed to the statement yesterday by Mr Eric H. H. Smith, Federation Financial Secretary, that Malaya would face serious economic crisis if the prices of these commodities continued to slide at the present rate.

Tin dropped \$5 12 1/2 per picul to \$43 3/4 today and rubber fell 3 1/4 cents to 55 1/4 cents per lb, the lowest price since April 1950.

Mr Himsforth's statement created consternation in some quarters. Including the Federation Government, which, according to usually reliable sources, forbade his warning to be broadcast by Radio Malaya.

Some rubber merchants said Mr Himsforth, by causing a nervous selling of stocks, had destroyed confidence of those supplying the market.

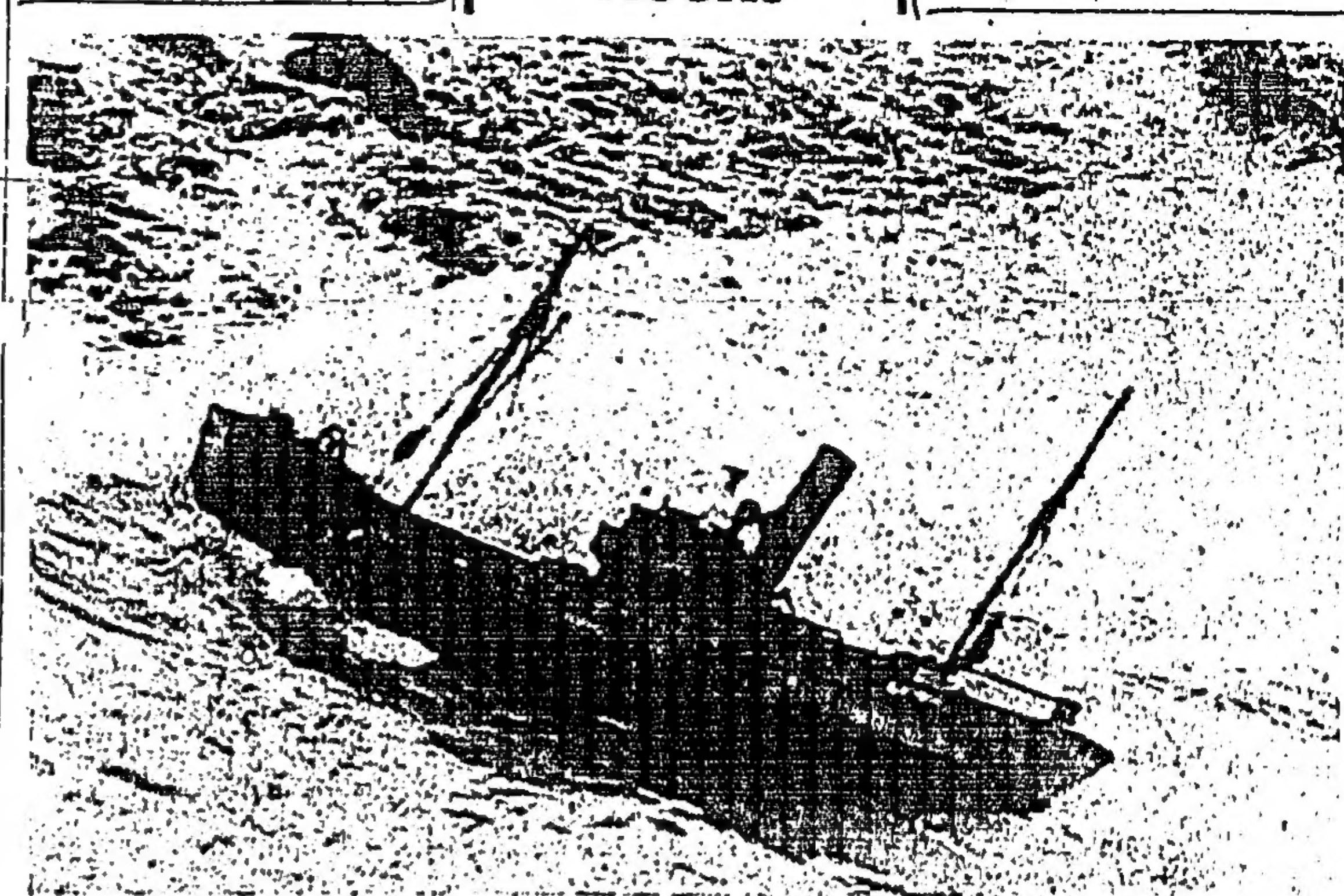
The report said: "We cannot and must not sit back and relax in any way in the war against both armed and unarmed Communism."

The report said the Association went forward in the hope that 1953 might see the end of armed terrorism but "with an ever watchful eye upon the possibility of a change in tactics by terrorists when, by giving up their gangster methods, they might switch to an equally dangerous plan, attempting to infiltrate into otherwise innocuous organizations with the intention of indoctrinating them."

The report complained of the "heavy and unreasonable burden of taxation" borne by the rubber industry.—Reuters.

## Britain To Go On Summertime

London, Apr. 7.  
Great Britain will advance clocks one hour at 2 a.m. on April 19 and will revert to Greenwich time on October 4, while America will advance one hour on April 26 until September 27.—Reuters.



Seven Grimaby trawlermen lost their lives when their ship, the *Leicester City*, grounded on rocks off Scapa Flow in fog and darkness. The land was only 200 yards away. The remainder of the crew, eleven in number, were saved. The vessel was home-bound from the Icelandic fishing ground when she hit the rocks. After the order abandon ship was given the crew set off flares, which were seen by the *Hoy* lighthouse who were helpless in thick fog. The ship's boat capsized. The skipper and nine men held on, others grabbed hold of rafts and for hours they held on. When daylight came and the fog lifted the vessel could easily be seen—only 200 yards away—and she was still upright—so the men could have stayed aboard her.—London Express.

## Closer Iran-Soviet Relations Denied

Tehran, Apr. 7.  
Foreign Minister Hussein Fatemi denied today that Mohammed Mossadegh's government is leaning towards the Soviet because of dissatisfaction with American support of the British and US failure to increase economic and financial aid to Iran.

Fatemi told a news conference "rumours regarding a change in foreign policy, reported by certain foreign agencies and the local press are based on lack of information."

The foreign policy adopted from the beginning by the Mossadegh government remains unchanged and is based on friendly good relations with all friendly countries," he said.

Most of the Tehran newspapers, which yesterday almost unanimously reported increasing friendship between Mossadegh and the Soviet Embassy and speculated that firmer diplomatic relations with Moscow were in the making, abruptly dropped the subject today.

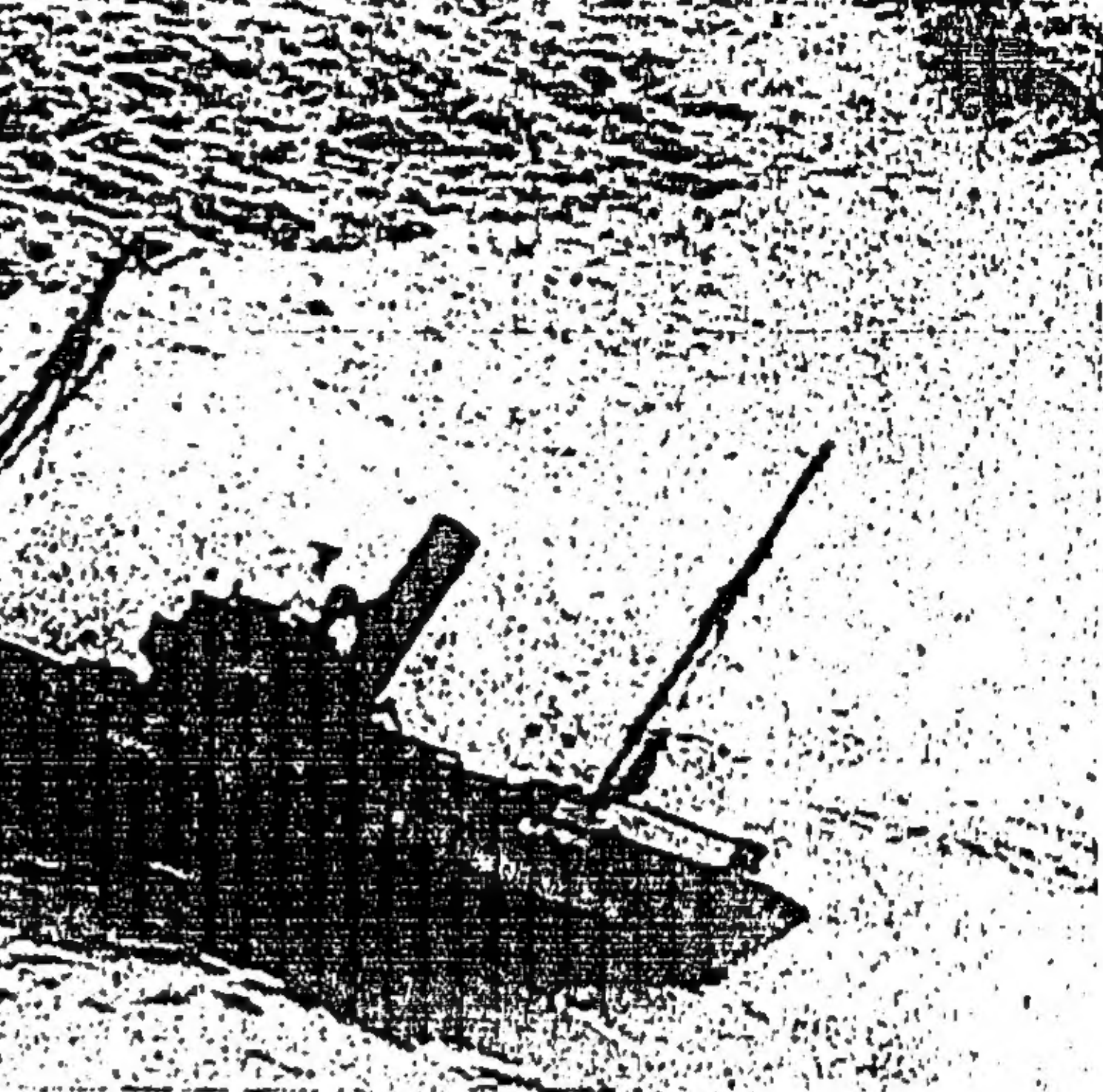
Only the evening paper Ettelaat, reporting progress being made by the Soviet-Iranian Commission settling Caspian Fisheries accounts, said that the friendly attitude displayed by the Russian representatives appeared to be related to political relations of the two countries.

Attahad-Melani, an independent weekly, said editorially today that Mossadegh's apparent turn toward Russia because he is disappointed by the US is a repetition of the policy pursued by the late Premier Ali Razmara "whose head was blown off."—Associated Press.

## Plane Crashes In Emergency Landing

Zweibrücken, Apr. 7.  
Air Vice-Marshal Hugh M. Campbell, Commander of the Royal Canadian Air Force's First Air Division, and five other RCAP officers were injured today when their plane crashed while attempting an emergency landing a few miles south of here.—Reuters.

## Trawler On Rocks



## DOCTOR'S HEROISM REWARDED

Chicago, Apr. 7.  
A young doctor was honoured today for risking his life as a human guinea pig in experiments which halted his natural breathing for hours at a time.

As a result of Dr Lloyd Thomas Koritz's courage, his citation said, many lives are being saved through the use of new methods of rendering artificial respiration to victims of drownings or electric shock.

Dr Koritz, 26, was given the Walter Reed Society award at its annual meeting.

As a medical student at the University of Illinois, Dr Koritz permitted himself to be drugged with substances which paralysed his breathing. He was kept alive through artificial resuscitation. He participated in four separate experiments involving the resuscitation of persons whose breathing was impaired.

The experiments resulted in a new type of push and pull respiration which recently replaced the Schafer prone pressure method of artificial respiration that has been standard with United States rescue and first-aid workers for many years.

Dr Koritz is now an interne at the Cook County Hospital here.

## HUNG FROM POLE

In one of the experiments the doctors sought a new method of respiration for drowning victims. Another series of tests showed that the same push and pull method was the best for victims of electric shock.

As part of the experiments Dr Koritz was hung from a telephone pole with a linenman's straps and climbing irons, then knocked out with drugs. As a result scientists found that new resuscitation methods could be applied to linemen shocked while on the poles. Previously time was lost bringing men to the ground, before beginning resuscitation.

In another project the doctors used Dr Koritz to determine the efficiency of a new type of electrical artificial lung that had been developed in Germany.

Another group of experiments tested the anaesthetic properties of pentathol drugs.

Dr Koritz said that although several of these experiments were highly dangerous, his first experiment was the toughest. In that one he had to eat a pound of homogenized warmed-up raw liver each day for one month. The experiment concerned metabolic studies.—United Press.

## Steals Cannon From Ramparts

Morocco, Apr. 7.  
The Police arrested 21-year-old Larbi Ben Tami, a Moroccan, today as he staggered down from the city's ramparts with a 200lb antique bronze cannon on his shoulders.

He explained he thought that the city would never miss the old gun in this atomic age.

The Police put the cannon back in its place and put Ben Tami in gaol.—United Press.

## Take Over

London, Apr. 7.  
The Prime Minister, Mr Winston Churchill, will personally take charge of the conduct of foreign affairs during the illness of the Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, it was officially announced today.

A statement from No. 10 Downing Street disclosed that the 78-year-old Churchill would combine his own job with running the foreign affairs post at this period of fast-moving international events.

Mr Eden will undergo an operation for inflammation of the gall bladder this week and probably will not be back in his job for six weeks or so.

The Minister of State, Mr Selwyn Lloyd, will sit in on Cabinet meetings, but it was apparent that Mr Churchill would take into his own hands day to day decisions on important matters concerning the Soviet peace offensive, relations with Egypt, and other big diplomatic questions.

Mr Churchill saw Mr Eden today before the announcement was made. It is not considered at all likely that the Prime Minister would head the British delegation to the NATO meeting in Paris on April 23.

That is a crucial meeting in which decisions about carrying out plans for the continued rearmament of Western Europe, particularly in the light of Soviet moves.

Mr Lloyd probably will head the delegation, with the Minister of Defence, Lord Alexander, possibly taking a role equally as important.—United Press.

## Mrs Pandit To Speak For India

United Nations, Apr. 7.  
It is understood that Mrs Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, head of the Indian delegation to the General Assembly, will represent India in the forthcoming debate on the Burmese complaint against Nationalist China.

Burma has asked the United Nations to condemn the government of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek for allegedly supporting the activities of Chinese Nationalist guerrillas in Northern Burma.

It was believed that the placing of the Burmese item on the General Assembly's agenda was one of the main reasons why Mrs Pandit put off her return to India and decided to remain at the United Nations until the end of the General Assembly session.—Reuters.

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## LINERS FOR SPITHEAD REVIEW

The Orient liner Oranienstein and the P. & O. liner Strathmore, both well-known in Australia, will carry official guests of the British government in the Royal procession at the Coronation naval review at Spithead on June 15.

Additional details of the review were issued today by the Admiralty.

Ships at the review will be anchored in nine lines and will stretch over an overall length of about 7 miles. The Queen, Admiral of the Fleet, and the Duke of Edinburgh and members of the Royal family in H.M.S. Surprise will be greeted with a Royal salute of 21 guns when they arrive at Spithead.

The Surprise will lead the procession through the lines of ships which will be dressed overall with flags and lined by their ship companies.

As the Surprise passes, each ship's company will give three cheers. The passage of the Surprise through the lines will occupy about one hour and a half and the passage of the full procession about two hours.

Later in the afternoon there will be a flypast over the fleet of 300 naval aircraft.

At night, ships of the review fleet will be illuminated and will give a fireworks display.

Because of the Royal Navy's worldwide commitments, it is not yet possible to state exactly what numbers of ships will be available for the review.

The navies of Australia, Canada, India, New Zealand and Pakistan will be represented and there will also be foreign warships from many countries.—Reuter.

## Town Goes Back To Germany

Strasbourg, Apr. 7. The last French family left Kohl, German town on the east bank of the Rhine opposite Strasbourg, today and workmen took down the remaining French street signs.

The town was first linked with the administration of Strasbourg by Germany, when the Germans overran France in 1940. The link was maintained after the liberation of France.

Washington agreements in 1947 stipulated that from mid-night tonight the town should be administered by Germany alone.—Reuter.

United Nations, Apr. 7.

Mr Valerian Zorin, Soviet delegate to the United Nations, said today his country would oppose the proposal of the United States and its Allies that an impartial commission investigate Communist charges of the use of germ warfare by United Nations forces in the Far East.

Mr Zorin ignored appeals made earlier to drop the charges. Speaking in the Assembly's Political Committee, he called on the United States instead to ratify the Geneva protocol of 1925 on germ warfare.

"An affirmative response to that appeal would constitute the best proof of the intention of the United States to ban bacteriological weapons and that it is not the intention of the United States to use them in warfare in the future," Mr Zorin said.

"A negative answer to this appeal, or an evasive one, will not satisfy us, the representatives of countries represented in this committee, or public opinion throughout the world for that matter," he added.

Mr Zorin criticised the Committee's decision not to invite representatives of Communist China and North Korea to take part in the discussion.

"If the United States presses its proposal, the Soviet Union delegation cannot agree to that proposal, the more so as the whole consideration and discussion of the question took place in flagrant violation of standards of international law, in other words, in the absence of the representatives of those countries most directly concerned," he said.

A DISAPPOINTMENT

Mr Zorin's statement came as a disappointment to those who had been looking for another conciliatory gesture on the part of the Soviet Union.

He was moderate, but firm. He did not go into the substance of the charges of germ warfare, but said that "established facts" could not be ignored.

Peru had called on Russia to make a "true contribution" to peace by withdrawing the accusations.

Mr Alexis Kyrkou, of Greece, said a ceasefire in Korea could not be based on lies. The Communists should permit all United Nations military personnel whose so-called "confessions" on germ warfare had been published to be brought to a neutral area for questioning by an impartial commission, he said.

Mr L. N. Palar of Indonesia said he strongly favoured an impartial examination with "mutual agreement" on the composition of the commission.

"CAREFULLY—ANALYSED"

Mr Palar suggested that the Chinese Communist government and North Korea be given an opportunity to make known their views about the composition of the commission.

tion through the President of the Assembly.

Mr Zorin said that documents which had been carefully analysed gave evidence of the use of bacteriological weapons in North Korea and China, he added. There was also the testimony of American prisoners.

He said it was more important at present for the United States to respond to the appeal to ratify the Geneva protocol than to set up an investigating commission.

The Committee adjourned until Wednesday.—Reuter.

## BIG LABOUR MERGER IN US LOOMING

Washington, Apr. 7. Top CIO and AFL executives agreed today on a long range programme that would lead to a merger of America's two biggest labour organisations.

As a first step, they will tackle a "major block" — the problem of "red-baiting". This is an attempt by one union to lure away the membership of another union already established in a given plant or industry.

A three-member sub-committee, including AFL President George Meany and CIO President Walter P. Reuther, will lead the groups which will meet within two weeks.

The sub-committee will make its recommendations to the next full merger committee meeting in the first week of June.

The conferees refused to specify in which industries red-baiting has been prevalent. However, there have been frequent clashes between the rival AFL and CIO unions in textiles, electrical industries and railroads.

Mr Meany, who headed the AFL delegation for today's conference, said "we recognize that if we're going to get labour unity, we got to create the proper atmosphere."

"In order to have everybody moved into one house, we have to learn to live together," Mr Reuther said. He also told newsmen, "We're moving pretty fast—the fastest we've ever moved."

Five previous attempts to merge the AFL and the CIO have ended in failure. They date back to 1937. The most recent was three years ago.—United Press.

## Sudan Election Supervisors

Khartoum, Apr. 7. The Government announced today the composition of the Electoral Commission which, under the recent Anglo-Egyptian agreement, is to supervise Sudanese elections.

The members are: Mr Sukumar Sen (India), chairman; Mr J. C. Penney, Britain; Mr Warwick Perkins, United States; Lieutenant Colonel Abdel Fattah Hassan, Egypt; El Sayed Abdel Salam El Khalifa, Khartoum; El Sayed Khalifa Khalifa and El Sayed Gordon Bulli, the Sudan.

The Sudan Government said that the three Sudanese members had been approved last week by the Governor-General's International Commission, formed under the Anglo-Egyptian agreement.

The full list of names now only requires confirmation by Britain and Egypt.—Reuter.

## Popularising The Show

New York, Apr. 7. A business group announced a novel method of attracting increased attendance for a celebration.

At the second annual "Oil Discovery Day" to be held in Williston, North Dakota, on April 18, theatrical lights valued at \$5,000 will be given away. Everyone who attends will get one chance at the prize.—Associated Press.

## Off To India On Scooters



Mrs Elizabeth Jorgensen, a Danish radio-reporter, and her brother, Erik Thrane, a film photographer, have started off by motor scooter on a long trip to India from Copenhagen. Their route lies through Germany, Austria, Yugoslavia, Greece, Turkey, Persia and Pakistan to Bombay.—(London Express photo).

## New Treaties Cause Fears On Legal Rights

Washington, Apr. 7. Republican Senators today expressed fears that the legal rights of American troops in Europe would be jeopardised under three treaties defining the legal status of Atlantic Pact forces.

The treaties, submitted by President Eisenhower's administration for Senate ratification, would permit trial in a foreign court of an American soldier for specified criminal offenses.

The Republican criticism was that American troops would be subjected in some countries to laws which did not recognize the United States "presumption of innocence."

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee asked whether American nationals would receive more or less legal protection if the treaties were ratified. The treaties were negotiated with the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation to establish a basis for dealing with possible dispute between countries who send troops and countries who receive them.

They would ensure protection against acts of foreign troops and respect of national laws. The economies of the receiving countries would also be protected against the effect of uncontrolled local buying.—Reuter.

## Marries Again

London, Apr. 7. General Sir Richard Gale, 48, year-old Commander of British troops in Germany, was married here today on a two-day leave. His bride was Miss Daphne Chalk, 40.

The General's first wife died last year.—Reuter.

## Arms Found In Teheran Raid

Teheran, Apr. 7. The authorities found swords, daggers and uniforms when they searched headquarters of two political parties here today.

There were no arrests. The swords and uniforms were found in the headquarters of the Sumda Nationalist Socialist Party and daggers and more uniforms at the Arya Political Group of Reserved Officers.—France-Press.

## Italian Signs Persian Oil Agreement

Teheran, Apr. 7. Abbas Parkideh, Sales Manager for the National Iranian Oil Company, told reporters today a new agreement recently signed with Count Ettore Della Zonca provides for the Italian firm of Epini to take delivery of 400,000 tons of Iranian oil within the next six months.

Parkideh said the agreement is a revision of a previous one between the nationalised oil company and Epini and was concluded during Della Zonca's recent stop in Teheran.

Epini's head is now Bandar Masheh, the Persian Gulf port where Epini's second tanker, Fax, is loading 5,000 tons of crude oil.

Parkideh said foreign buyers are sending three more tankers to Iran, one of which will carry refined oil from the Abadan refinery.—Associated Press.

## Sudan Tribal Chief Dismissed

Khartoum, Apr. 7. Chief Jumbo of the important Moru tribe has been dismissed by the Governor of the Southern Sudan equatorial province from his position as President of the local court, a government spokesman said here today.

The Sudan government stated that the Moru tribal meeting, which Chief Jumbo did not attend, passed a vote of no confidence in him by 357-60.

Rumours that Chief Jumbo had been improperly arrested by the Sudan government recently led to a near crisis between Britain and Egypt about the implementation of the recent Anglo-Egyptian agreement on Sudanese self-government.

The Sudan government said at the time that Chief Jumbo was not arrested but had been called to face a tribal meeting in connection with an allegation that "he had signed an agreement with Egyptian politicians contrary to the wishes of the vast majority of the Moru tribesmen and without consulting them."—Reuter.

## ROYAL MOURNERS AT FUNERAL OF EX-KING CAROL

Lisbon, Apr. 7.

Former King Carol of Rumania, who gave up his throne for Magda Lupescu, was buried today among Portugal's royal dead in the St Vincent Pantheon atop one of Lisbon's seven hills.

The King's coffin was borne to the Pantheon after a funeral service attended by representatives of Europe's royal families and was placed behind the tomb of former Queen Amelia Orleans Saghita of Portugal.

Carol, who was 59, died near Lisbon early Saturday morning of a heart attack.

Princess Elena, the former Magda Lupescu, walked in the rain behind the coffin up 30 granite steps to the portal of St Vincent's Church. There, she sprinkled a handful of earth over the flag-draped coffin, and then stepped back as the British Embassy Chaplain, the Reverend Cannon Farrer, read an Anglican service before the coffin was carried to the vault.

It was the first time in the 700-year history of the Pantheon that a Protestant service was read before the church. There were no Catholic officials to receive the funeral cortege when it reached the church after a 19 miles drive from the town of Estoril.

Standing among the royal mourners, the black-veiled Elena sobbed as the service was intoned and she clutched the arm of Prince Andreo of Yugoslavia, Carol's nephew. As the coffin disappeared down the stone passage-way leading to the crypt, the fell back into the arms of Prince Andreo and Carol's brother, Prince Nicolas. The widow seemed to regain her composure as she turned to leave the church, and she was dry-eyed when she crossed over the threshold into the softly falling rain.

Carol's son, the former King Michael, did not attend the funeral, but from his home in Lausanne he sent a wreath of white gladioli and pink carnations bearing on a green and purple ribbon the inscription "Mihail". Michael had earlier sent a message saying that he did not wish to leave the side of his wife, who has just given birth to their third baby.

A brief funeral service was held this morning at Carol's home in Estoril where he died and has been lying in state. Clad in full evening dress with a cross of the Eastern Orthodox Church in his hands, Carol lay in his coffin on a flower bed.

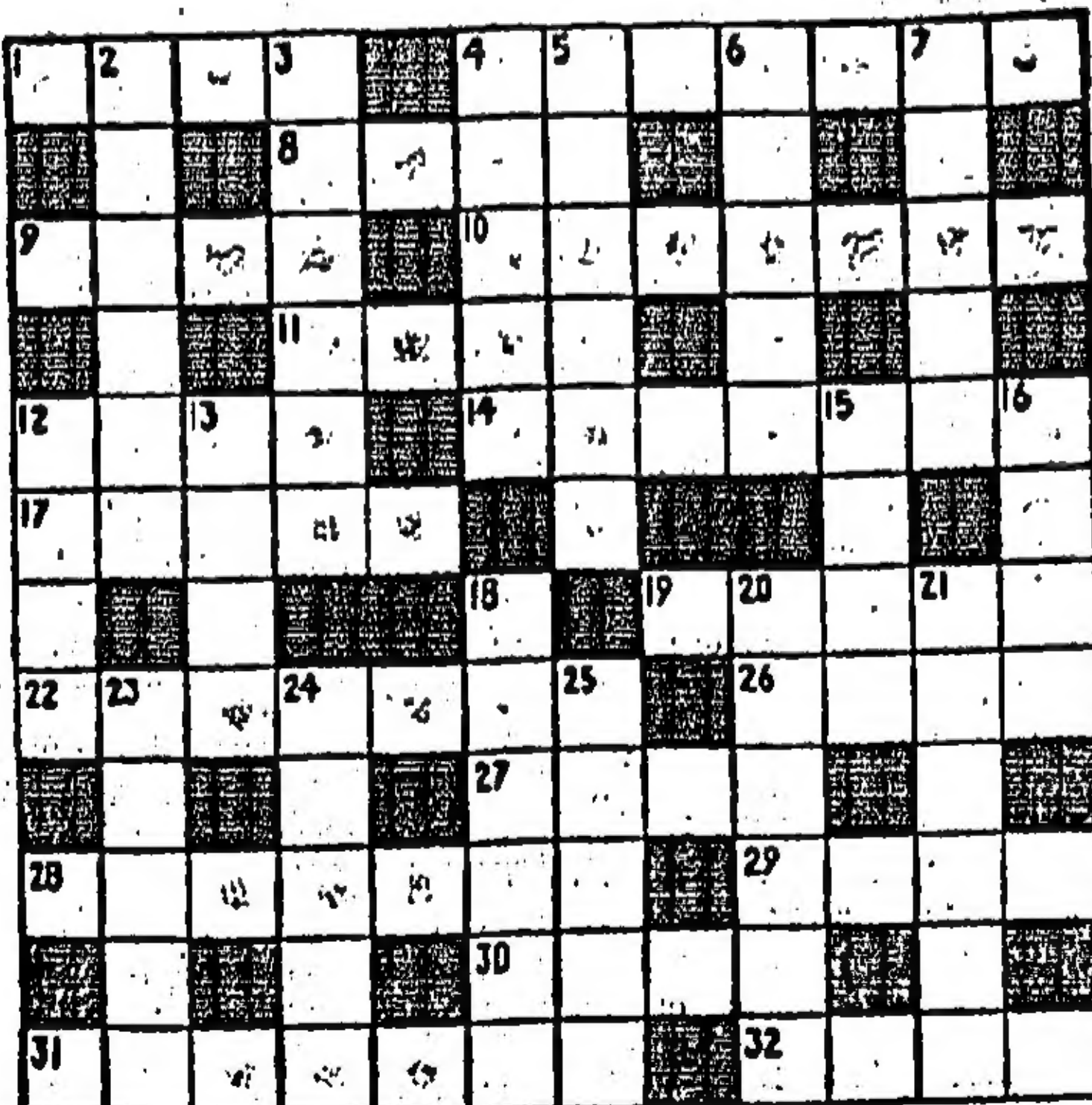
## More Seek Asylum In W. Germany

Berlin, Apr. 7. More than 9,000 East Germans sought asylum in West Berlin in the first seven days of April to escape Communist pressure, officials said today.

Today's figure of 2,158 refugees raised the total for this month so far to 9,200, officials said.

An all-time high was set last month—48,000.—United Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



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- Duty list (4).
  - Turn into cash (7).
  - Repetitive (4).
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  - Mixed with (7).
  - Full to include (4).
  - Bill of fare (4).
  - Torment (7).
  - Accustom (5).
  - Elevate (5).
  - Fearful (7).
  - Ado (4).
  - Slump (4).
  - Almanac (7).
  - Urges (4).
  - Bring up (4).
  - Faults (7).
  - Necessity (4).
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  - Send (6).
  - Press chief (6).
  - Unsubstantial (6).
  - Affirm solemnly (6).
  - Look after (4).
  - Unclothed (4).
  - One (4).
  - Always (4).
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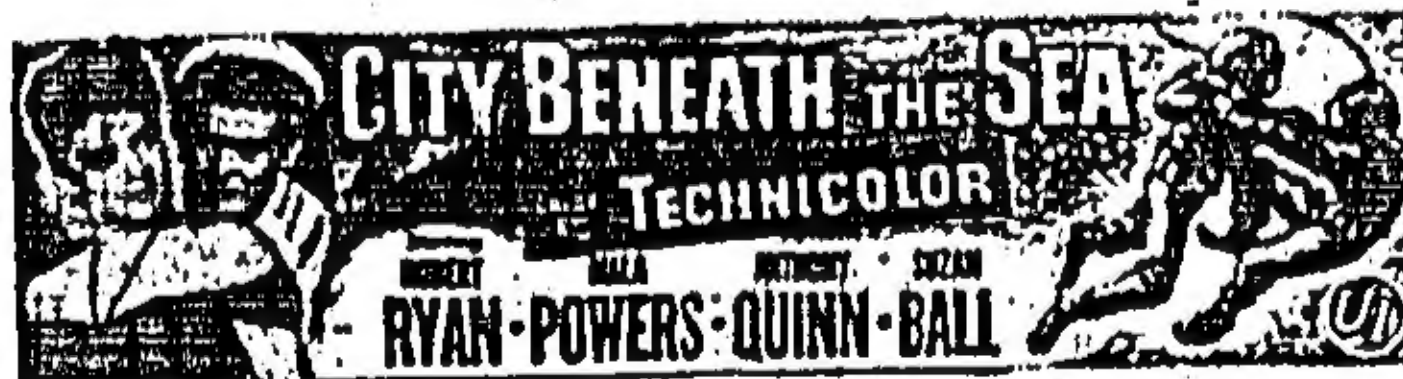
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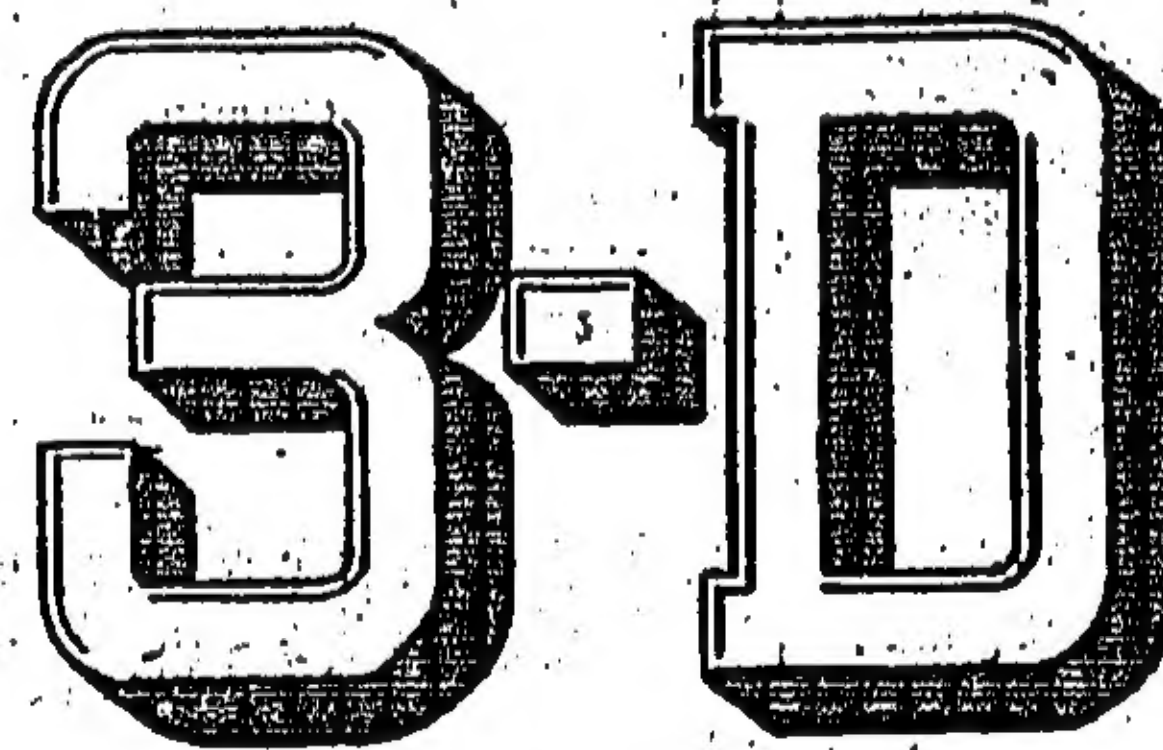
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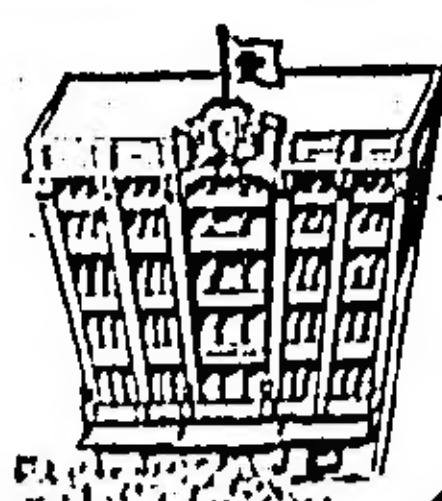
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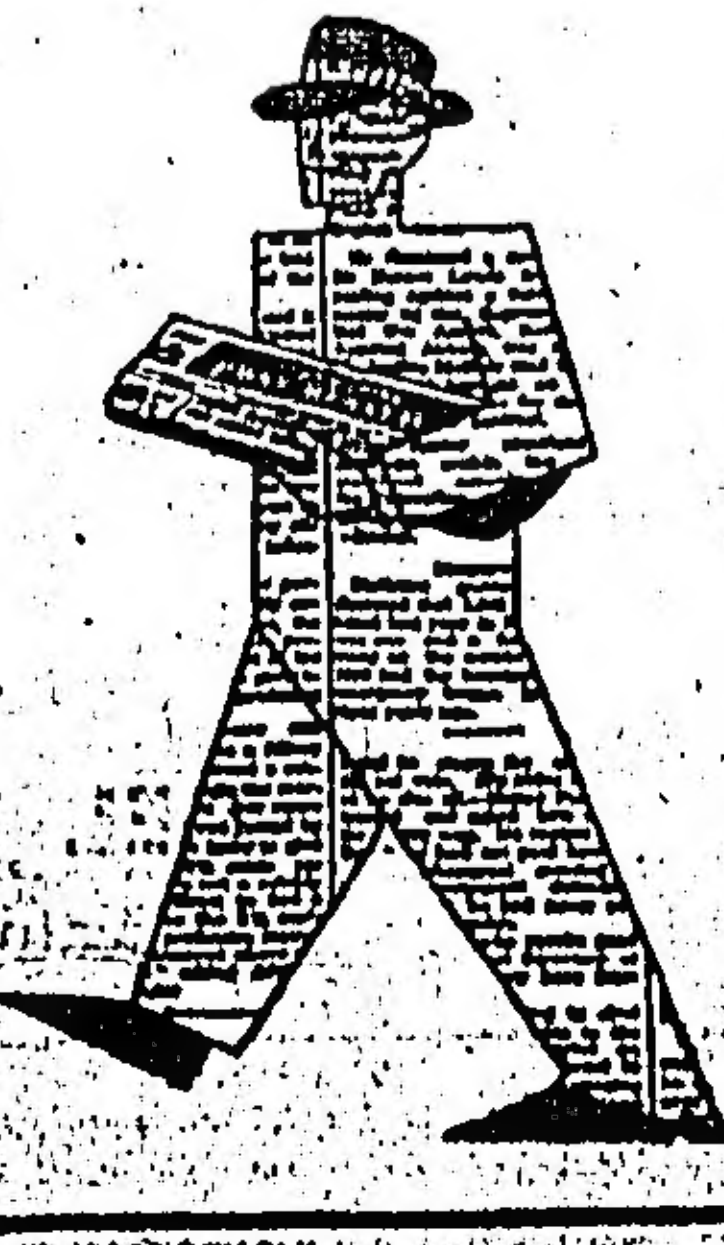
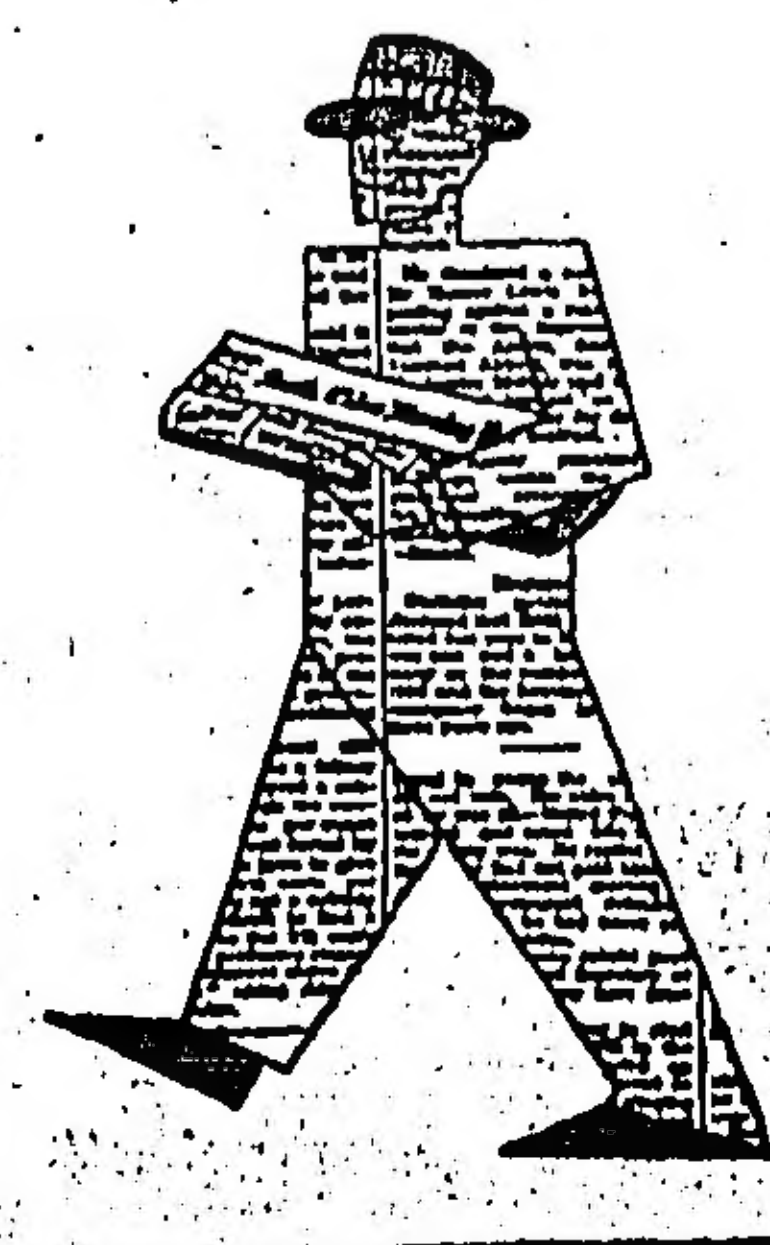
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DELMER

**Y**ES, I am home again  
from Germany; home  
to my Suffolk farm;  
home to reflect on my meet-  
ing with a man of whom  
you have heard a lot in the  
past—and of whom you may  
well hear quite a bit in the  
future.

I called on him before  
catching my week-end plane  
home from Düsseldorf.

When I had last seen him  
he was sitting in the dock  
at the Nuremberg war  
crimes trial accused—along  
with Goering, Ribbentrop,  
Keitel, and the rest—of con-  
spiring with Hitler to set  
fire to the world.

Now I found him surrounded  
by secretaries and assistants  
in the prosperous-looking office  
he occupies as chairman and  
founder of Düsseldorf's newest  
banking venture—

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# I get little change out of a wizard

by SEFTON DELMER

Germany proposes to finance  
these schemes. How she thinks  
to give £100 million credit to  
Egypt for the dam (or find out-  
side backing for such a credit),  
when Egypt has—

**1 NOTHING** to pay with  
except cotton, which is fall-  
ing in value all the time;

**2 A REGIME** on which not  
even the most optimistic  
banker would care to count for  
the maintenance of security,  
law, and order over a period of  
years.

I got little change from  
Schacht.

• Oh, no, no

**F**IRST, he denied that he has  
anything to do with the  
negotiations now going on in  
Cairo. "That's Government  
stuff," he said. "You know  
how badly I stand with the  
present Government."

Then he fulminated against  
the German Federal Parliament  
for having agreed to £300  
million of reparations to Israel.

"Height of stupidity to start  
all that reparations business  
ever again. Can't possibly pay  
anything like that. Well, we  
shall see where it lands us."

But he did not think £100  
million of credit by any means  
impossible to Germany. "When  
you have goods and services to  
offer, you don't need money  
credits. You give the goods and  
services as credit."

How are the men who produce  
the goods and services to live  
in the meantime? His answer:  
"We Germans must draw in our  
belts to make these schemes  
possible. We are living too  
lavishly."

• The traveller

**N**OT very convincing, I fear.  
When I pressed him further,  
he said: "I admit that as  
orthodox banker would approve  
the ideas I have for solving this  
problem. But I am not an  
orthodox banker. Never was.  
Could not have got rid of Ger-  
many's 6,000,000 unemployed if  
I had been."

"What exactly my idea is, is  
a secret. If I told you, someone  
might step in and copy it, and  
mess up the whole scheme."

What Schacht did reveal to  
me was Germany's new  
Sebastian technique for get-  
ting orders from the suspicious  
Governments of the Arab States  
and the ex-colonies of Ger-  
many's ex-enemies.

"It is no use turning up with  
catalogues and order books.  
The thing to do is to visit a  
country and report to its  
Government quite objectively  
and unselfishly on the best  
means for developing that  
country's economy."

Then he added: "The great  
thing is to make it clear  
to them that we want to  
raise their standards of  
production and of living in the

interests of the world economy  
as a whole—in the hope  
that this will indirectly benefit  
ourselves."

Masterly.  
Dr Schacht, generously let me  
have a copy of this report on  
Indonesia. It is a very skillful  
piece of work, full of sly digs  
at the former Dutch masters of  
the country who still control  
much of its trade, coupled with  
subtle indirect plugs for  
German methods, German tech-  
nicians and German business  
men.

He even puts in a boost for  
the anti-trade union laws of his  
old boss, Hitler.

What intrigued me most,  
however, in my talk with  
Dr Schacht was an offer by him  
to put his services at the dis-  
posal of the Anglo-Iranian Oil  
Company and the British Gov-  
ernment.

"Let me go to Teheran for  
you, and guarantee to get the  
whole dispute satisfactorily  
settled in no time at all."

• Truce

**S**ATISFACTORILY? Dr  
Schacht told me that when  
he was in Teheran recently he  
put forward a proposal to end  
the dispute which Persia's Dr  
Mossadegh accepted.

It amounts to a kind of three-  
year truce, during which the oil  
would flow again, money would  
come to Persia and the com-  
pany, and the ground (says  
Dr Schacht) would be prepared  
for a final settlement under  
calmer conditions.

Said Dr Schacht: "The mo-  
ment I got back from Persia  
I went with this proposal to  
the then British Commissioner  
in Hamburg."

"I asked for an interview  
with Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick,  
British High Commissioner, so  
that he could pass this very

**POCKET CARTOON**  
by OSBERT LANCASTER



"Well, Mr. President, I've  
said all along that sooner  
or later we were going to  
have to face up to the whole  
question of 3D."

AMERICA COLUMN from NEWELL ROGERS

## CORONATION FILMS BY JET

New York.  
**A**merican TV stations  
want to hire one or two  
jet planes from the RAF to  
fly Coronation films across  
the Atlantic on June 2.

They have decided it is the  
surest way to get the films on  
U.S. screens on Coronation  
night.

One jet could leave London  
about 2 p.m. (10 a.m. in New  
York) and touch down at New  
York in mid-afternoon. This  
would give the TV men time  
to develop the film and rush it  
on to dinner-hour screens.

The second jet would come  
in soon after, with the com-  
plete film.

**UP THE LADDER** to fourth  
place among motor-car makers  
goes Henry J. Kaiser. He has  
bought the Willys-Overland  
Company for more than  
£22,000,000. He will continue  
to make its cars and his own.

**BRITISH** aviation is creep-  
ing up on its American rivals  
for a bigger share of the rich  
Coronation traffic over the  
North Atlantic. Starting this  
month, U.S. airlines will run  
24 flights weekly to London.

**D.O.A.C. 19.**  
Some places still have seats  
unbooked for May, but to late-  
comers who want to fly over  
at Coronation time the airlines  
say: "You'll have to bring your  
own wings."

**HARRY TRUMAN**, looking  
up on his American rivals  
for a bigger share of the rich  
Coronation traffic over the  
North Atlantic. Starting this  
month, U.S. airlines will run  
24 flights weekly to London.

you look exactly like Harry  
Truman.

**ENJOYING** the Broadway  
bright lights again are those  
French sailors who were not  
allowed ashore in New York  
recently because they refused  
indignantly to answer personal  
questions from immigration in-  
spectors.

The inspectors have whittled  
down the questions from 34 to  
four. They now cover: only  
Communist Party membership,  
disease, and criminal records.

**THE JUSTICE DEPART-**  
MENT is to ask Congress for  
the right to tap telephones in  
espionage cases and use the  
evidence in trials.

**JUDITH COPLAN**, a civil ser-  
vant, was convicted in 1949 of  
slipping Government secrets to  
Russia's Valentin Gubichev.  
But a court held the conviction  
to be invalid because the  
evidence was obtained by wire-  
tapping.

**SLIM SILHOUETTE** will be  
the aim of the American male  
for 1953, forecasts the New  
York Times in a 72-page report  
on men's wear.

He will wear a single-breast-  
ed suit with slightly padded  
shoulders, a longer coat, and  
narrower lapels. His trousers  
will be tapered, with fewer  
pleats.  
Hats will have narrower  
brims and tapered crowns.

A GIANT OF POLITICS, BUT OUR  
STRANGEST PRIME MINISTER

## THE GREAT ECCENTRIC

By Robert Blake

**R**OBERT CECIL, third  
Marquess of Salisbury,  
dominated British politics  
in the last two decades of  
the nineteenth century. He  
was Prime Minister for  
longer than anyone else  
since the accession of Queen  
Victoria.

Yet he has received little  
attention from the bio-

graphers. This is partly  
because for many years his-  
torians awaited the com-  
pletion of the great bio-  
graphy by his daughter,  
Lady Gwendolen Cecil. Un-  
happily she died in 1945  
before she had finished, and  
her four brilliant volumes  
only go down to 1892, leav-  
ing a serious gap for the  
last 11 years of Salisbury's  
life.

Captain A. L. Kennedy's  
scholarly, competent, readable  
and accurate one volume  
biography cannot, of course,  
fill this gap. No one can do this,  
until the Salisbury papers have  
been sorted and catalogued—a  
task now in progress.

Captain Kennedy has, indeed,  
had access to the Foreign Office  
archives for the period, but even  
these are by no means complete,  
owing to Salisbury's peculiar  
habit of conducting foreign  
policy from Hatfield largely in  
private letters written to ambas-  
sadors in his own hand. Never-  
theless, Captain Kennedy's book  
is a most useful interim life and  
an excellent introduction to one  
of the strangest characters ever  
to hold the post of Prime  
Minister.

For Salisbury was a great  
"character," an eccentric in the  
best sense of that word. What  
other Prime Minister has been  
so absent-minded that he failed  
to recognise one of his oldest  
cabinet colleagues at a dinner  
party; and shook hands with his  
own son at a reception under the  
impression that it was greeting  
an unfamiliar guest?

And has there ever been a  
Prime Minister so addicted to  
"gadgets" of every kind? His  
early experiments with elec-  
tricity and telephony are alone  
enough to cheer one up in this  
dread age of competent  
mediocrity.

Guests at Hatfield never could  
have found life dull, now dining  
under glaring and vibrating ar-  
ranged lamps, now plunged into dark-  
ness illuminated only by a dull  
red glow, now summoned to  
extinguish a fire which had  
broken out in the roof of the  
gallery, or pulling it with  
cushions. Then there was the  
telephone. Visitors were alter-  
nately enraged at tripping over  
bare wires laid along Hatfield's  
endless corridors, and astonished  
at the sound of the Prime  
Minister's voice ringing  
various infections. "Here, diddle  
diddle, the cat and the fiddle;  
the cow jumped over the moon,"  
in order to test the acoustics of  
this then primitive instrument.

But Lord Salisbury was, of  
course, much more than an  
English Eccentric. He was a  
consummate politician, and a  
great statesman.

When he succeeded Disraeli as  
leader of the Conservative Party,  
his position was by no means  
secure. But he outmanoeuvred  
his rivals, including Lord Ran-  
dolph Churchill, the most dan-  
gerous and brilliant of them all.

He named Joseph Chamber-  
lain. He arranged for the  
succession to pass peacefully and  
smoothly to his own nephew,  
Arthur Balfour.

When Salisbury resigned in  
1902 he was master of his own  
party, and for more than seven  
years his party had been master  
of the country. During the  
greater part of his time as  
Prime Minister he also held the  
Foreign Office—an experiment  
only once initiated by Ramsay  
Macdonald in 1924. Britain's  
power and prestige has never  
before or since stood so high as  
it did when Salisbury died.

Yet, despite his dominant  
position in British politics, his  
opinions were curiously out of  
sympathy with those current in  
his day.

The last quarter of the nine-  
teenth century was an age of  
belief in progress, democracy,  
and imperialism. Salisbury was  
never an imperialist. He spoke  
with dislike of those "who  
wished to go everywhere and  
take everything."

Still less was he a democrat.  
He saw no reason to suppose  
that the masses would use their  
power any more justly than any  
other class: to which, excluding  
power, had been entrusted. The  
time would, soon come, "when  
the rich will pay all the taxes,  
and the poor will make all the  
laws."

Moreover, like many intellec-  
tual Conservatives Salisbury was  
something of a pessimist. No  
him what was remarkable about  
civilization, was not its defects  
but the fact that it existed at  
all.

**SALISBURY, 1826-1905.** Portrait  
of an Englishman by A. L. Kennedy  
(John Murray, 5s.).

Clock in, clock out—a comedy  
of factory life . . . by

## Nathaniel Gubbins

**W**HEN it was an-  
nounced that the  
T.U.C. had advised  
the Chancellor of the Ex-  
chequer to increase income  
tax many people like my-  
self wondered what will  
happen if and when this  
brilliant body of men con-  
trol the country and every-  
body's income is reduced  
by taxation to (say) £5 a  
week.

I was thinking particularly of  
the entertainment world, in  
which nobody would bother to  
write books or plays, act, com-  
pose music, sing, or paint pic-  
tures if there was no hope at  
all of earning more than a road-  
sweeper.

★ ★ ★

Then the solution of the prob-  
lem hit me with the force of a  
sledge hammer wielded by a  
member of the T.U.C. when he  
was working instead of talking.

All the artists, writers and  
entertainers will take to road-  
sweeping because it will be  
more profitable, with less  
nervous strain, and all the en-  
tertainment will be provided by  
tainted ex-bolshermakers, plum-  
bers and bricklayers of the  
T.U.C.

After all, they have advised  
the Government on matters they  
know little about. Why  
shouldn't they try their hands  
at things they know nothing  
about, such as painting pictures,  
writing novels, music, or even  
plays?

"Clock In, Clock Out," a  
seven-act comedy of factory life,  
lasting eight hours, by Joe  
Sprockett, of the T.U.C., re-  
ceived an enthusiastic welcome  
last night from members of the  
Sprockett family, the only  
people in the audience still  
awake at the final curtain.

★ ★ ★

"Sprockett's son, who played  
the part of the foreman of the  
1920's in love with the  
glamorous canton manageress,  
looked more than life-like in his  
bowler hat and celluloid collar."

The author's vivacious wife,  
and mother of seven children,  
played the part of the vainish  
clocker-in to a T—er, as the  
witty author remarked at a  
party afterwards, to a T.U.C.

"Although some of us found  
difficulty in following the plot  
(why did Sprockett's daughter  
have to die 'because' in the  
middle of Act 5, for instance?),  
and although the dialogue, light  
as dough and smooth running as  
glue, was marred by propaganda  
speeches lasting up to 20  
minutes, the performers man-  
aged to get through a trying  
evening with the help of  
prompters yelling lines from  
the wings."

**Cafe Society**

**A** CORRESPONDENT has  
complained in a newspaper  
that retired men not only do  
the shopping for their wives  
but fill the cafes afterwards  
for their elevenses, and gossip  
like women.

I said I don't believe he's  
only 60.

Well, his hair's not grey, is  
it?

Don't make me laugh, old  
man. Don't you know dye  
when you see it?

Are you telling me he dyes  
his hair?

Have a look at the parting,  
old man. Besides, on a hot  
day, the dye runs into his eyes  
like mascara.

Still, it's over 60 he keeps  
his figure pretty well.

Figure my foot, old man.

Well, he doesn't look like us  
—a couple of pear drops on  
legs.

We don't happen to wear  
corsets, old man.

**Lottie Hits Out**

**A**SKED to comment on the  
statement in the House of  
Commons by Mr. David Gam-  
mans that the official food  
allowance for Post Office clerks  
has not been raised for several  
years, despite the cost of living,  
Lottie, the Devil Cat said:

"It is just another example  
of the callous and unimaginative  
attitude of Government depart-  
ments towards civil servants in  
their employment."

"As for Mr. Gamman's re-  
mark that allowances vary  
according to the efficiency of  
the clerks concerned, how would  
members of the Government  
like to be fed according to their  
efficiency? Some of them  
would starve to death."

When asked what she thought  
of the member who mumbled  
during the debate she said:

"It is a commonplace that  
M.P.s have an infantile sense of  
humour, though I daresay the  
mildew was the most sensible  
thing said in Parliament for a  
long time."

(London Express Service)





## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Finesses Galore. But None Worked Here

NORTH (D) 12	
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♥ A Q J 9	
♦ 10 8 7 6	
♣ 10 5 2	
EAST	
♠ 7	
♥ 10 5 3	
♦ 10 8 7 3 2	
♣ 10 7 6 4	
SOUTH	
♠ A Q J 3 2	
♥ K 10 8	
♦ A Q	
♣ A Q 10	
North-South vul.	
North	East
Pass	Pass
3 ♠	1 ♠
Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♥ 7	

By OSWALD JACOBY

"THAT hand was full of finesse," sighed Hard Luck Joe, "and not a single finesse could possibly work."

There was a certain amount of justice in Joe's complaint. Three finesse were possible—two in clubs and one in diamonds. All three of the finesse would have lost, since West had all of the missing honours.

When the hand was actually played, Joe won the first trick with the ten of hearts, drew three rounds of trumps, and then ran the rest of the hearts. On dummy's last heart, declarer had to make a decision.

Joe finally decided to discard the ten of clubs and then continue by finessing the queen of clubs. West won with the king of clubs and got out safely with a small club return.

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Beautiful Basic



By VERA WINSTON

SHEER wool in black is used for a smart frock that is slim and straight, made with an open neck and short sleeves. It is a basic dress, one that acts as a distinguished background for various accessories, and is shown here topped by a handsome jacket of white slipper satin.

The coat closes with one large jet button and swings backward. Its lines held by the narrow belt of the dress.

# WOMANSENSE

## THE PASSING OF THE TOQUE

### and the PARASOL

by Eileen Ascroft

MANY London shops and stores were redressing their windows. Gay spring clothes and flowered hats were being replaced by black and the half-mourning tones of grey, mauve and white, as a token of respect to Queen Mary.

Hat departments report slightly increased sales of black hats, mostly to older women. The shops have been asked for black ties, again chiefly by the older generation.

At Norman Hartnell's establishment no orders had yet been received from the Royal Family for mourning clothes. But the Royal ladies already have plenty of black in their wardrobes, ordered when they were in mourning last year for King George VI.

The mourning period for our last English Queen, Alexandra, was three months—two months in full mourning, when all the ladies of the Court wore plain black, and one month of half mourning, when Court ladies outside the Royal Family wore grey, mauve and white, or black relieved by one of these shades.

Full mourning for young girls except in the case of a close relative, is not expected these days, but if debutante parties are held during the period of official mourning, coloured dresses will not be worn. Best colour for bolignows will be white, with shades of grey and mauve for cocktail parties and other functions.

Elaborate jewellery is not displayed during Court mourning. Diamonds and pearls are the usual stones worn. The Queen, Queen Mother and Princess Margaret all wore strings of pearls and diamond brooches when they were in black last year.

Queen Mary never followed fashion. She had a style completely her own. Symbols of her way of dressing were her



The hat with 95 varieties

This hat can be worn 95 different ways, with any head, and weighs only 2 oz. It is made of a material which can be made in any colour, and is a hat for fashion.

Most of the hats are facing with. This means, of course, that they can be worn in any direction, and are a hat for fashion.

In children's flower-trimmed, for spring and summer, he told me. "And for autumn and winter, velvet decorated with feathers or bows."

These pretty hats only seem to be worn occasionally, worn by elderly women made for Queen Mary by a small firm in Bond Street, called Marjorie Somerset.

Miss Galloway was the milliner who "made" for the Queen and even when she grew old and retired to her small flat, End flat she still carried on making hats for her royal client.

Miss Galloway told me that Queen Mary's toques were made on a different principle from modern hats. They were built up on wire frames and each one took me at least three days to make.

Queen Mary supplied most of the materials, but sometimes special shades had to be dyed.

The last toque Miss Galloway made for Queen Mary was just before Christmas. "She wore it to go to Sandringham for her Christmas holiday."

Hugh Beresford, who took over the Marjorie Somerset workrooms about three years ago, still has occasional orders for toques from women who admired Queen Mary's style of dressing and adopted it as their

own. "Margaret Hutchison, the stylist said that architecture now calls for a variety of colour styles in house extensions, not merely the old stand-by white paint."

"A few years ago no one would have thought of painting a house red, but today a blue resembling barn-red is the most popular house colour of the year," she said.—United Press.

Queen Mary's famous parasols, of which she had hundreds, were also made in shades to match her dresses.

She will probably be the last well-known figure to carry a parasol as part of her daily dress. The manufacturer tells me there are few orders today.

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## BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

COMPLAINTS from a certain district in a broadcast of pneumatic drills at work could hardly be heard, because dustmen banged the lids of bins so noisily and laughed as they moved them, have given me an idea.

Why not broadcast the banging of dustbin lids and the laughter of dustmen at a time when the pneumatic drills are at work in the district, thus giving the rest of the people a chance to complain?

A genuine Bonney

A DELIGHTFUL portrait of a lady signed Bonney puzzled Foulmouth. He rang up the work shop. "What does Bonney mean?" he asked.

Mr. Fred Gravy, "Bonney, you fool!" shouted Foulmouth. "It's not in it!" "That's easily put right," said Mr. Gravy. "Look here," said Foulmouth, "are you all drunk?"

replied Mr. Gravy, "aren't you, up there?" "I replied Foulmouth, sharp, "attemped dignity. "You still see the difference between an it and a it?" That must be great fun," sneered Mr. Gravy.

You would hardly believe it

A large musical party last week an uncomfortable-looking

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

BORN today, you have a tendency of purpose which, if you put your heart on any ambition, will surely bring you to success. You have a quick mind, spontaneous, sharp, intuitive sense, and a vigour that makes it easy for you to get a lot of work done in short time. There are all traits of the successful person. Utilise them well.

You have strong likes and dislikes and are apt to show them. Yet, you have an attractive personality and a warm magnetic glow that draws people of both sexes into your orbit. You are a fine host or hostess and take considerable pride in being able to have a "full house" whenever you have an "open house". Although women born on this date may not have the appearance of being a little "flabby-gubby," they actually have practical heads, and

their shoulders when it comes to important matters.

You will surprise your marriage mate. He may think you are only a growing longer and less round. ... And should like to know what Canon Grille means by "eccentricity" ... What is happening in blotting-paper? Yesterday a piece came to his in my hand.

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## THE FIRST JUMP AT AINTREE



The first jump of the Grand National course at Aintree. Grand Truce (No. 36) is down, Knuckleduster (No. 15) gallops on, while Parasol II (17) stumbles by and Walt and See (27) takes violent evasive action.

## Australian Tennis Team Undergoing Course Of Hard Physical Training

Sydney, Apr. 7.

The Australian tennis team is having a course of hard physical training in preparation for a round of tournaments in Britain, Europe, and the United States.

The players — Mervyn Rose, Ken Rosewall, Lewis Hoad, Clive Wilderspin, and Ian Ayre — will leave Sydney on April 25 with manager Harry Hopman. Their first tournament will be the Italian Championships in Rome, starting May 3.

Hopman insists his players should be 100 per cent fit, and his attention to this has been credited with playing a big part in Australia's Davis Cup successes of recent years.

Hopman started the fitness campaign in early March when the ordered Rose to Melbourne for a week of running and gymnasium training. He did this straight after Rose's poor showing against veteran John Bromwich in the quarter-final of the Australian Hardcourt Championship at Rockdale, Sydney. Bromwich beat him 6-0, 6-1, 6-1.

Rosewall, Hoad, and Wilderspin also are doing their physical training in Melbourne. Ayre did his first two weeks' training in Brisbane under the eagle eye of Hopman himself, who was there coaching a class of juniors.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Deserving Victors

Sir,—I must take exception to "Recorder's" hockey write up in your Tuesday's edition.

It appears to me biased and unjust.

He infers that the standard of ladies' hockey has deteriorated to the extent that a schoolgirls' team can become the Ladies' Hockey League Champions.

Why has a sports writer become so biased that he cannot give credit where credit is due?

Any team in any realm of sport which can play 17 games, lose one, score 80 goals with only seven scored against them, deserves credit.

Has "Recorder" paused to realise that these schoolgirls are champions not so much because of skill and experience but because of youth, splendid teamwork and unlimited enthusiasm?

The Grenlins last week were not a dispirited side, they intended to win if they could and they certainly tried.

Again why bring in other forms of sport when "Recorder" can have no idea what sports these girls are interested in, apart from hockey?

The sneer at the swimming abilities of some members of this team is unworthy of your respected newspaper.

There is an old saying "Recorder", "that the bigger they are the harder they fall" and that applies equally to hockey as to any other sport.

The whole write up is just so much journalistic rubbish.

LESLIE BONES.

### IN REPLY

Three King George V School 1st XI have tried to win the Ladies' Hockey League Championship since the League was re-started 30 months ago, and the present one has succeeded. More power to them. As Mr. Bones points out, any team which can score 80 goals, etc., are deserving of victory.

Last year's team was also very deserving of victory. They had no coaching, and they were playing against exceptionally strong teams which were very well coached and ably led.

None of the teams that the present year's KGV School team met were exceptionally good, and few even had a full

turnout of all the available best talent, much of this talent being half-trained or untrained.

The original King George V School team—the first in history to play in the First Division (we haven't forgotten the old CBS) was well coached, but were up against the best players available in the three years of the postwar league.

There were no players this season of the standard of Suzanne Whitcombe, Claire Regus, Add Timworth, Noelle Simmons and Marie Melke (as they were last year), Amanda Silva, Peglyn Faber, Marjorie McNeill, Valerie Slade, to mention but a few.

A Grenlin, Victorian or Rectorio team last year or the year before was no 5-0 walk-over for schoolgirls. Hence our nostalgic reference to Hodgkinson & Co., who were inexperienced but determined girls and sometimes scored a victory that was, indeed, glorious.

Our reference to other sports is not without point. The first ever King George V School Hockey XI participated in every other sport going, while the present team are so hockey-conscious that they apparently have no time for other sports.

The will to win as a team may be there—not to a greater extent than it was, with the two teams that preceded it—but the will to shine individually is absent.

Hence the reference to swimming. That was brought up who an acknowledgment that some of the girls do swim competitively. But the will to win is still absent. This will include a lot of training and girls like Cynthia Eagar, and Vanessa Giles, who train, are so far ahead as a result.

There was, quite definitely, more spirit to Maureen Hodgkinson, Valerie Jillett and their teams, particularly individual spirit and much team spirit. The teams led by these two girls were a small number of "stars", but it was usually a delight to watch the smaller fry chipping in and making a go of a game against opponents to whom they conceded a lot in size and weight, and more in skill and experience.

Our main point was that hockey, after all isn't everything, and Hodgkinson & Co. would have been much more deserving victors had they won in their season.

—RECORDER.

A week before they are due to leave, they will assemble in Sydney. Hopman will give them a week of intensive training, with only a fraction of the time being devoted to tennis. Associated Press.

## Japanese Buyers Pay Top Price At Sydney Yearling Sales

Sydney, Apr. 7.

Japanese buyers paid top price in the yearling sales here today, 3,400 guineas for a colt, the Sydney Daily Telegraph reports.

The colt was sired by Midstream, leading Australian sire in the 1951 and 1952 seasons, whose progeny won nearly £500,000 in Australian stakes.

Progeny include the 1951 Melbourne Cup winner, Delta. The Japanese buyers also paid 1,600 and 1,500 guineas for two Midstream fillies.

The paper said the Japanese bought through the stock agent of Dalgety and Company Ltd.

According to the Daily Telegraph, the Japanese buyers were three middle-aged, well-dressed men who attended the sale for one hour. They sat in the fan row with other buyers but did not speak to anybody.

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## COLONY OPEN PENTATHLON CHAMPIONSHIP IS THE OPEN EVENT OF THE YEAR

By "RECORDER"

The Colony Open Pentathlon Championship this coming Sunday is the most open sporting event in years. There is no picking the winner in the men's event and Jennifer Hart is not as certain a bet as she looks in the ladies' all-round test.

With entries open to Friday, the initial field is already full of surprise competitors and more may be expected to come in.

Here are the entries to date: Chan Wal-chuen, of South China Athletic Association, the Colony Shot Put Champion and record-holder in the Discus Throw, is also strong in the Javelin and reputed to be a better than average high jumper despite his size. His weak event will probably be the 400 Metres run, but he will score well in at least three events.

Chang Yat-hung, also of SCAA, is the Colony record holder in the 100 Metres Hurdles and Colony record-holder in the Hop, Step and Jump. He has never appeared in serious competition in the five events of the Pentathlon, but he is a natural athlete and should score well, particularly in the jumps.

Major B. D. Chapman of the Royal Norfolk Regiment is an outstanding long jumper and will score heavily also in the High Jump. He is an outstanding diver and has the build for reasonable performances in the weight events.

Gnr. Derek Coburn of 45 Field Regiment, Royal Artillery, is the Colony 1,500 Metres and 5,000 Metres Champion, and record-holder. Many may consider him a very surprise entry for the Pentathlon, but he is a 140-foot javelin thrower and can run a very fast 400 Metres. He will not have to

jump very high or far or put a shot much beyond 25 feet to come well up in the scoring.

Sgt. G. J. Harrison of the Royal Engineers has a Shot Put of 39 feet 10 inches to his credit this year and should do well also in the Javelin.

Lo Wing-chuen of La Salle College and the South China Athletic Association was Colony Champion last year in the 400 Metres and has run that time this year in 54.0 seconds. He should do reasonably well in the jumping events and will not lag too far behind in the throws.

Victor Lal of the Hongkong University Athletic Club is the Colony High Jump Champion and holder of the Sir Gerald Howe Cup as Hongkong's Athlete of the Year. He is a good long jumper and should do reasonably well in the throwing events and the 400 Metres.

Lau Kam-yiu of South China Athletic Association is a good and improving javelin thrower and is good for points in the Shot Put. He is a good pole vaulter and has the spring for relatively good performances in the High and Long Jump.

Ng Chun-wai of Hongkong University Athletic Club is one of the Colony's most promising long-jumpers and hop, step, jumpers. He is also a good thrower.

George Saunders of the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Club is, like Major Chapman, an outstanding diver and shares with him a high score in the old Geographical Society's shot put. He is also a good shot putter.

Shek Ka-lim of South China Athletic Association should score well in the Long Jump and 400 Metres and will not lag too far behind in the Shot Put or High Jump. He is the Colony Hop, Step and Jump Champion.

Cpl. Tean Kwok-lai represents the Hongkong Chinese Training Unit and is a good all-rounder who will depend more on an all-round score than on outstanding ability in one or two events.

Yan Fung-kwong of Northcote Training College is also an all-rounder, better in the jumps but reasonably good also in the Shot Put.

### THE GIRLS

There are only six entries to date in the girls' events, and the final field is unlikely to be more than a dozen. Already entered are:

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Her potential in the other events is unknown, but it is this potential that will count the most as the good javelin thrower and shot putter will score.

Chan Yat-hung of SCAA is better known as a high jumper, but she is also a reasonably good thrower and will score as well in the sprint and long jump.

Miss Hall of King George V School and the HKAAAC is the Colony Champion and record-holder in the 100 Metres and Long Jump, a reasonably good high jumper when in form and a strong-armed javelin thrower if only she throws in the right direction. She holds the edge over Jennifer Hart in three events, but will have to pile up a good margin in two — the Long Jump and Javelin — to wipe out Jennifer's advantage in the High Jump and Shot.

Jennifer Hart, also of KGV and HKAAAC, will start favourite. She is the Colony High Jump record-holder and Hurdles and 200 Metres Champion and a good sprinter, long jumper and thrower as well.

Valerie Jillett of the Victorians, former Colony record-holder in the High Jump and former Captain of the King George V School hockey team, is far from being outclassed though she will lag behind Hall and Hart in the sprint and long jump. She will score well in the High Jump and Shot Put, and possibly also in the Javelin. One of the original members of Hodgkinson & Co., she still has the old Geographical Society's shot put. She is also a good shot putter.

Ng Sheung-kwai was third in the Hurdles in the Colony Championships and is in large part for the fun of the game, but she will not lag behind being a reasonably good sprinter and jumper with unknown potentialities in the throwing events.

Competitors in the Pentathlon are allowed only three trials in the Long Jump, Shot Put and Javelin Throw and the usual three tries at each height in the High Jump. They will have to produce their best within these three tries in each event and it is not unusual for Pentathlon competitors to turn out a personal record in one event and fall badly in another.

The one who does best on aggregate points in five events is the winner. The men will be competing for a trophy presented by Captain R. McClelland. There will probably be a trophy and certainly prizes for the ladies' event.

## HOW GOOD MUST ONE BE

At the Pentathlon Championship of the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Club in January, the winner was Jonathan Royce with 246½ points on the scoring system to be employed on Sunday and the runner up Quentin Almao with 243 points on the same new scoring system.

A 12-lb. shot was used, but the convertibility of this into a 16 lb. performance is the 12-lb. performance multiplied by four-fifths—not by three-quarters. (The world's best weight men have never put a 12-pounder much more than 70 feet).

That means, Royce and Almao, both of whom would have had an excellent chance of winning Sunday's Pentathlon, averaged 49 points per event.

Their performances as against a mean 40-point performance were:

Royce 25.6 41.1 94.10 17.0 55.7  
Almao 24.0 41.1 94.5 17.9 57.4  
49 Pts. 27.10 41.10 109.0 16.9 64.2

Both scored more points in the 400 Metres than in any one of the other four events. Thus, a faster 400 Metres runner than either, like Lo Wing-chuen for example, can afford to put the shot about 24 feet, high jump 4 feet 8 inches, put the javelin just under 90 feet and long jump 10½ feet and still win.

Weight men like Chan, Wal-chuen and Harrison will score a hundred points in the Shot and may afford to amble through a 400 Metres in about 60 seconds and jump about 4 feet 6 inches in the High Jump and 16 feet in the Long Jump and still win on aggregate.

## OVER THE LAST FENCE



Mr J. H. Griffin's Early Mist (B. Marshall up) goes over the last fence on the way to its victory in the Grand National at Aintree.

## MELBOURNE'S TARDINESS CRITICISED BY IOC CHANCELLOR

Lausanne, Apr. 6.

Otto Mayer, the Chancellor of the International Olympic Committee, said yesterday a report had been received from the Australian Organising Committee that the 1956 Games would be organised in the "true Olympic spirit."

Mayer urged that the Games be awarded to another nation because of Australian tardiness in completing plans for the competition.

"It is regrettable that this report arrived only Sunday, four years after the games were awarded to Melbourne," Mayer commented.

Mayer said he was told by the Australians that two representatives would be sent to the International Committee's meeting this month in Mexico City where arrangements for the games will be discussed.

He said the representatives would be A. W. Coles, former mayor of Melbourne, and H. Alderson, president of the Australian Olympic Committee — Associated Press.

### AUSTRALIAN COMMENT

Melbourne, Apr. 6. Mr Edgar Tanner, Secretary of the Australian Olympic Federation said today that he thought the Olympic rivalry between Europe and the Americas would block any attempt to take the 1956 games from Melbourne.

He was commenting on a New York report which quoted Mr. Armand, French Olympic Committee president as saying that Rome would bid for the 1956 games, when the International Olympic Committee met in Mexico City later this month.

Regarding the detailed report on plans for the games, sent by the Australian Olympic Committee to the Chancellor of the IOC in Lausanne, Mr. Tanner said this did not contain a solution to the question events problem.

But a scheme for a pool of trained horses in Australia may be put before the International Horse Federation" added Mr. Tanner.

Mr. W. S. Kent Hughes, chairman of the Australian Olympic Committee said here today he could not see any grounds on which the International Olympic Committee could take the 1956 games away from Melbourne.

Mr. Kent Hughes declared that Australia had done everything asked of her in preparing for the Games.—Reuter.

### READY FOR DEBATE

Mexico City, Apr. 7. The Mexican President, Mr. Adolfo Ruiz Cortines, will inaugurate the 58th meeting of the International Olympic Committee which begins here next week, it was disclosed today.

A Mexican spokesman said that Mr. Cortines will speak briefly prior to the Committee's routine executive session. The Executive Committee will meet in the first part of the week to prepare papers for the main plenary session beginning on Friday and ending on April 23.

It is expected that there will be a "live" meeting in view of the dispute as to whether Australia will be able to hold the 1956 Games. The Australian delegation is expected to present its case during the early part of the plenary session regarding the progress being made at Melbourne.

Reports indicated that the Australians had solved their financial and facilities problems and are preparing a strong case before the Committee to keep Melbourne as the site for the next Olympic Games.

The Committee's President, Mr. Avery Brundage, will arrive on Sunday from Los Angeles to take charge of the forthcoming meetings, which will be private. A spokesman pointed out that the International Committee always has met behind closed doors and that tradition will be kept here. Regular bulletins on the progress of our work will be issued through the Committee's Chancellery.—United Press.

## INDONESIAN SOCCER TEAM COMING HERE

Manila, Apr. 7.

Sultan Hamengkumuwono of Jogjakarta, former Defence Minister, will head the Indonesian football delegation to Hong Kong in late April. The Indonesian Embassy announced tonight.

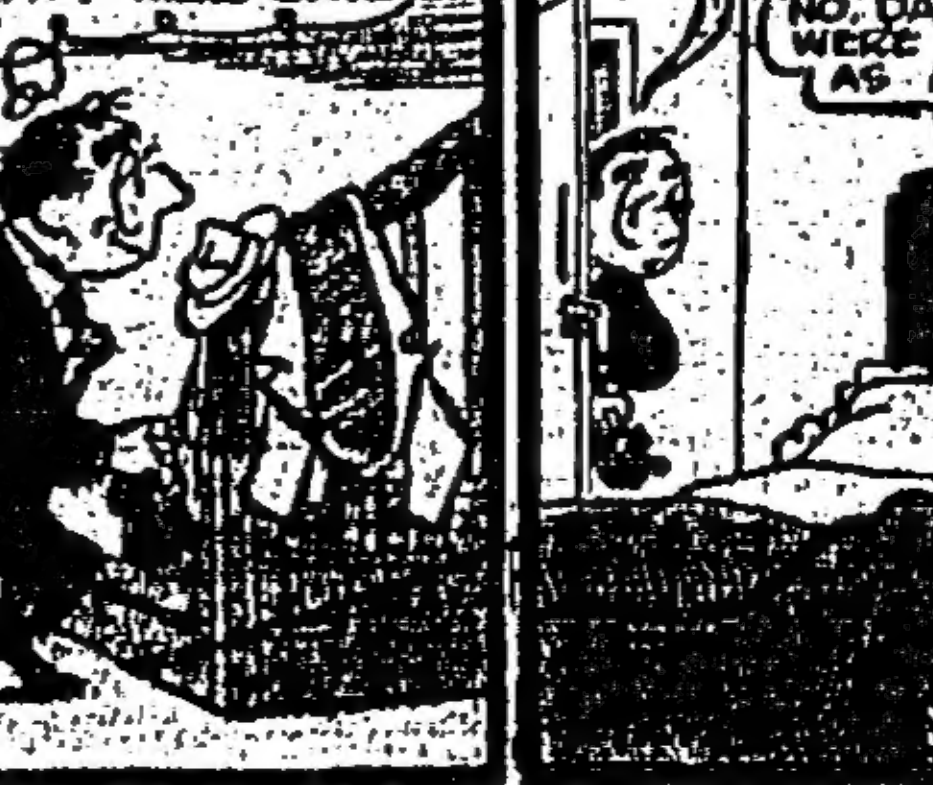
The Indonesian footballers, on a Far East goodwill tour, will arrive here on April 16 for a brief visit before proceeding to Hong Kong.

In the 27-man party are Indonesian Government officials, newsmen and 18 players.

The Indonesians will pass through Hong Kong, Bangkok and Burma. The team will participate in the Asian games in Manila in May, 1954.—Reuter.

## THE GAMBOLS

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## DEATHS

CARVALHO — Julia, 85 years, passed away peacefully in her sleep at 9A Brown Road on 8th April 1953. Funeral will leave the Hongkong (Wanchai) Road at 6 p.m. today, passing the Monument at 5.30 p.m.

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# Stalin's Body To Be Permanently Preserved

New York, Apr. 7. Joseph Stalin's body may require periodic injections and treatment if it is to be preserved indefinitely.

Because of Stalin's age and possible complications resulting from the announced cause of death, an embalming authority, John H. Eckels of Philadelphia, says "it may be necessary to make several injections of the (embalming) solution over a period of time to insure complete embalment."

The Russians have indicated they hope to save their late leader's remains for posterity, as they did the body of Lenin, the first great and revered leader of Soviet Communism. Four days after Stalin's death on March 5, his body was placed in a mausoleum next to the remains of Lenin which had been under glass through 29 years of public veneration. The red-marble tomb, just beyond the frowning brick walls of Moscow's Kremlin, currently is closed to the public.

Eckels, who is President of the Eckels College of Mortuary Science, Inc., said: "If it can be assumed that Stalin's remains were similarly prepared with the ultimate aim being permanent preservation as were Lenin's remains, supplementary injections of embalming fluid might be necessary."

Embalmers generally agree a similar system was used on Stalin as on Lenin. What was it?

FORMALDEHYDE An internationally known authority on formaldehyde, the late James A. Brangan of Philadelphia, was given special permission to examine Lenin's body in 1932, eight years after he died.

Brangan found the body so thoroughly impregnated with formaldehyde solution—a disinfectant used in almost all embalming—that the body tissues were completely transformed to a synthetic resin.

Brangan concluded the body would remain intact indefinitely. The transformation, he said, completely changed the chemical composition of Lenin's body, but allowed it to keep its original appearance.

How was it done? Brangan said the body was injected with a strong solution of formaldehyde tempered by control chemicals which aided in distribution of the solution through the body tissues.

Associated Press.

# Ten Days That Rocked The World

Moscow, Apr. 7. A party of American editors asked Premier Georgi Malenkov today to allow many more American newspaper correspondents into Russia, and expressed the hope that Russian correspondents might go to the United States.

Addressing Malenkov in a farewell letter, the "Selected Excellency" the editors expressed gratitude for permission given them to visit Russia.

Commenting on developments which coincided with their visit, the editors said that news announcements from Moscow during the last 10 days can be compared only with the 10 days that rocked the world in October, 1917. "Ten Days That Rocked the World" was the title of a book about the Bolshevik Revolution by American leftist writer John Reed.

The editors said they would like to visit Russia every year to watch its material and spiritual progress. The 10 editors shouted "farewell" in Russian, as they left after a history-making visit.

United Press.

# Du Barry Watch To Be On Show

New York, April 7. The watch that King Louis XV of France gave to Madame du Barry is now in the hands of watch craftsmen who expect to have it ticking again.

This watch, mounted on a small gold case and worn as a locket by one of the world's richest publicised mistresses, is part of a collection that will soon be shown in American museums.

The United States Time Corporation, owner of the collection, has sent 15 famous watches to experts in the United States and abroad for inspection and restoration. They include a heart-shaped watch Napoleon gave to the Empress Josephine, a watch set in a rock crystal case and worn by Queen Elizabeth I of England, and another said to have belonged to Queen Mary of Scotland.—United Press.

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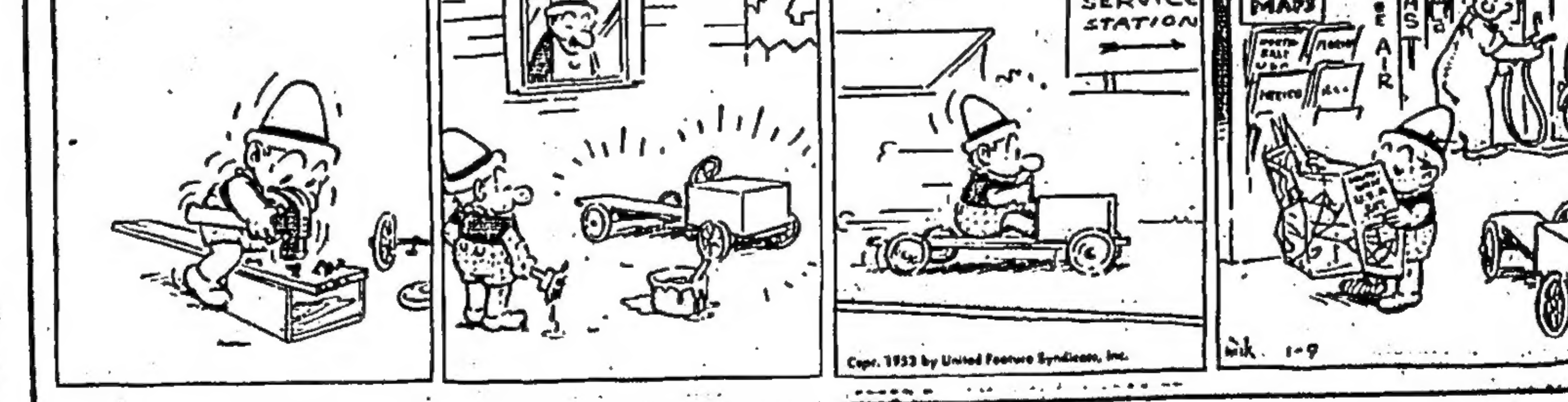
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# Ridgway's Bid For Coordination

Rabat, Morocco, Apr. 7. General Matthew B. Ridgway, Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, conferred today with American, French and Moroccan leaders to tighten the links between the European Command and this strategic North African basehead, site of five major United States air bases.

Making a four-day visit in his capacity as Commander of United States forces in Europe, whose headquarters are in Paris, General Ridgway met the French General-in-Chief, M. Augustin Guillaume.

Later in the day General Ridgway held an audience with the Sultan of Morocco, whose nationalist dispute with France is blocking full exploitation of Morocco as a French base.

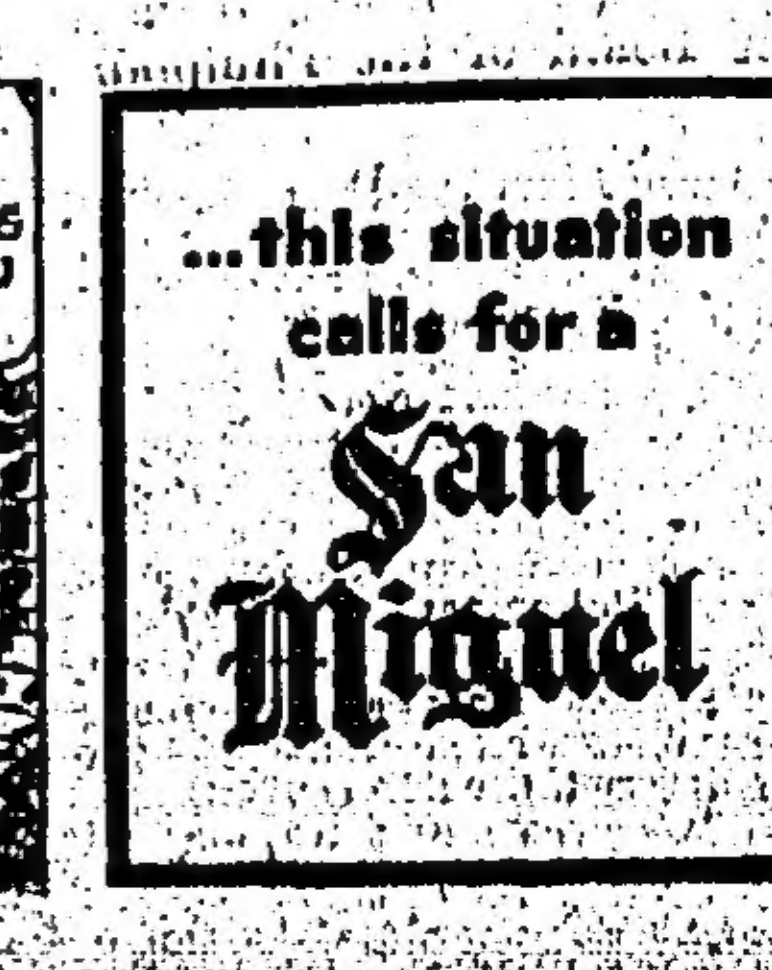
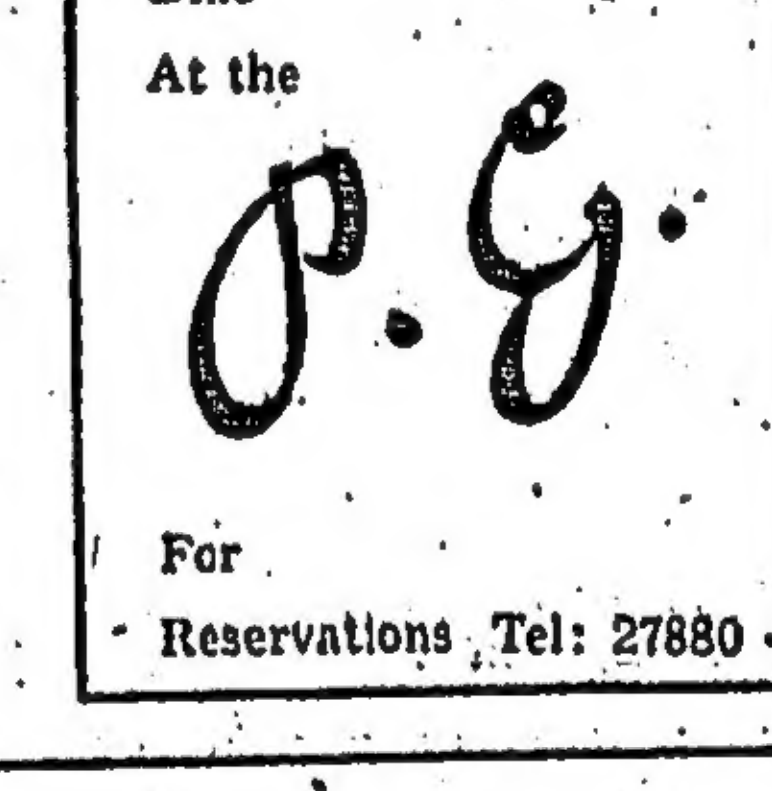
General Ridgway was accompanied on his trip by Major-General David Hutchison, new head of the Fifth Air Division operations of bases.

Officials said that although General Ridgway has no control over North Africa he is vitally interested in co-ordinating activities with the forces here which would support him in case of an attack on Western Europe.—United Press.

# Lincolnshire Air Crash

London, Apr. 7. Senior Pilot Cadet Saib Saib Ahmad of Pakistan, a member of the two-man crew of an RAF Harvard training aircraft was killed last night when the plane on a training flight from the Cranwell RAF Station, Lincolnshire, crashed at Packington, a village two miles south of Ashby de la Zouch.

The other member of the crew was slightly injured. France Press.









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## Southern Rhodesians Vote Tomorrow On Federation

Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, Apr. 8.  
Southern Rhodesia's 49,000 voters will decide tomorrow whether to join in creating a new dominion of 175,000 Europeans and over 6,000,000 Africans.

If they vote "Yes" it is almost certain that the Legislative Councils of Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland will also agree to the controversial plan for Central African federation.

The referendum is expected to bring out one of the heaviest polls in recent years, the climax of months of debates, forums, letters to the newspapers and domestic argument.

Approval of federation by the British House of Commons is virtually assured. A debate in the House last month, forced by the Labour Opposition, ended in a favourable decision for the scheme.

If all goes according to plan, the British Parliament will clear "the enabling bill" in May.

An Order-in-Council establishing the federation would then provide for the immediate appointment of a Governor-General—probably someone from the British peerage.

**STOP WORK DECISION**  
Blantyre, Nyasaland Apr. 7.  
An Easter meeting of Africans here decided that all Nyasaland Africans would stop work if the British government "forced through" its federation with Northern and Southern Rhodesia.

The meeting, called by chiefs and the African Congress, also decided that Nyasalanders employed in Northern and Southern Rhodesia would be called home, and they would refuse to pay their taxes.

Unofficial estimates said about 3,000 Africans attended the meeting, but the Nyasaland government placed the figure at 800.

The Reverend Michael Scott, the Anglican clergyman who has been continuously campaigning against the colour bar in Africa, told the meeting a central African federation on the present terms would be contrary to the promises made by Queen Victoria to the Nyasaland people.

There had been no indication that Mr Scott was in Nyasaland until reports of Sunday's meeting were received.—Reuter.

## New Russian Moves

## Interpreted

Belgrade, April 7.  
Mr. Eduard Kardelj, Yugoslav first Vice President, said today that the reason behind the latest changes in Soviet policy was that the new regime in Moscow was forced to look for popularity among the masses.

"This is at the same time proof of how much the masses have resisted the regime in the Soviet Union," he told an audience of factory workers at Kragujevac, Central Serbia.

The new Soviet line over Korea and Germany, the release of the doctors and arrest of security officials, and the Soviet amnesty, all gave the impression that the new leaders wanted to disavow Marshal Stalin's policy.

"If the new Soviet leaders prove they truly want peace, everything should be done to encourage this," Mr. Kardelj said. "If these latest moves are only manoeuvres, they will soon be unmasked."

## FATE OF PEACE

On the other hand, "peace-loving people must not weaken their vigilance and defence efforts," Mr. Kardelj said.

Nothing should be overlooked which might contribute to the cause of peace, but neither must there be any giving way to illusions.

The new situation, Mr. Kardelj said, "proves what we have been saying all along—that the fate of peace depends only on the Soviet Union."

He declared that Yugoslavia could be proud of her resistance to Soviet hegemony. Other countries which in the past had supported anti-Yugoslav resolutions now "found themselves in serious internal quandaries."

Mr. Kardelj added that the arrest of leading members of the Soviet Security Service and the statement that they had "extorted false confessions" threw a "strange light" on trials of people like Rudolf Slansky of Czechoslovakia, László Rajk of Hungary, Traicho Kostov of Bulgaria and Kocho of Albania.—Reuter.

## Japan Expected To Increase Exports To The Colonies

London, Apr. 7.  
The rate of Japanese exports to the British colonies this year are expected to increase by about 20 per cent over the rate in the second half of 1952, it was learned authoritatively here today.

This is the officially expected outcome of the British Government's "recommendation" to the colonies to relax partially some import restrictions on Japanese goods.

The recommendation was announced last Saturday in a British Treasury communiqué on the Anglo-Japanese trade and payments talks in Tokyo.

This action, the communiqué said, was taken in the light of Japan's deficit on her current payments with the sterling area, and was directed towards maintaining the present level of her purchases from the sterling area.

Unofficial sources here said it would be some months before Japan felt the full benefit of Britain's decision. It depended on how quickly the colonies announced their relaxations and how quickly local importers took advantage of them.

They also recalled that Britain's "request to the colonies a year or more ago was that they should reduce non-dollar imports by 50 per cent. A 20 per cent increase in such imports would raise the figure to 60 per cent of the pre-restriction level.

But this figure could only be a rough guide, the sources said. The restrictions imposed varied among the colonies and the 50 per cent cut did not necessarily affect all supplying countries equally—it was a cut on the total of non-dollar imports.—Reuter.

## Intoxicated Driver Fined

Harry Hul, a 38-year-old Shanghai, of 44 Java Street, third floor, was fined \$250 or 6 months hard labour when he appeared before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning on a charge of driving while under the influence of liquor. His driving licence was ordered to be endorsed.

According to the Prosecution the defendant was seen driving a private car along Causeway Road at 11.10 p.m. on April 7. The car was being driven erratically, and did not stop immediately when called by a police constable on duty. It stopped about 20 yards away from the policeman but started again when the PC approached it.

Defendant was finally stopped by a Police sergeant on a motor-cycle, and taken to the Queen Mary Hospital where he was found to be under the influence of alcohol.

## KOREAN WAR CASUALTIES

Washington, Apr. 7.  
The Korean War has cost both sides a total of over half a million casualties since the first talks began in July 1951, it was officially estimated here today.

US battle casualties increased from 79,110 to 151,928 in this period.

The estimated Communist casualty toll rose by 430,000 to a total of 1,457,000.

The United States is the only member of the United Nations fighting in Korea which makes weekly reports of battle casualties. Other nations have made periodic reports. The last U.N. report on total casualties is 224,780 South Korean—dead and wounded and missing, with U.N. non-U.S. casualties 11,430.—Reuter.

## A Further Soviet Concession

United Nations, Apr. 7.  
Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky said today that Russia would not introduce its own disarmament proposal in the United Nations General Assembly in opposition to the Western-backed arms reduction measure.

Mr. Vyshinsky, affable almost to the point of gaiety, told newsmen, before the Assembly met to elect Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld of Sweden as the United Nations' new Secretary-General, that the Soviet Union would stand on the two amendments submitted to the Western resolution last week.

Mr. Vyshinsky's decision marked the first time within memory that the Russians had not insisted on a recorded vote in the Assembly on its own resolution dealing with any major subject defeated in the Political Committee.

The United States, however, was not prepared to accept the Russian amendments. One purely procedural knock-out prize for the United Nations Disarmament Commission's previous work. The other would delete from the Committee approved resolution reaffirmation of the disarmament resolution which the Assembly passed in Paris.

The 1951 resolution set forth an atomic control plan favoured by the United States.

## LEAVES PLAN INTACT

However, Mr. Vyshinsky's amendments would leave intact the plan of work laid out for the Disarmament Commission. This plan provides for the establishment of effective international control of atomic energy before atomic weapons are prohibited.

Until now, the Russians have come no closer to the Western position than to demand that control and prohibition be instituted simultaneously. Many observers regarded the new Russian position on a bone of contention as a bona fide of the Kremlin's sincerity in its current "peace offensive."

Another indication of the new Kremlin line came this morning when Mr. Valerian Zorin, Soviet delegate, discussed in Communist germ warfare charges in unusually subdued terms, appealed anew for United States ratification of the 1925 Geneva protocol outlawing bacteriological weapons.—United Press.

## Princess Margaret Going To Oslo

London, Apr. 7.  
Princess Margaret will represent Queen Elizabeth in Oslo on May 15 at the wedding of Princess Ragnhild Alexandra and Eling Svend Lorentzen, Buckingham Palace announced tonight.

Princess Ragnhild is the daughter of Crown Prince Olaf of Norway. Princess Margaret will be attended by Lady Jean Rankin, lady-in-waiting, and Major Gen. Guy Salisbury Jones, Marshal of the Diplomatic Corps.—United Press.

## Narriman Arrives Home



Ex-Queen Narriman arrives at Cairo International Airport with her mother from Geneva, and is met by her uncle Moustafa Sadek. She is surrounded by military and police officers.—London Express.

## Malaya Campaign Must Not Be Relaxed Says Newspaper

Leeds, Apr. 8.  
Today's Yorkshire Post urged that the campaign against terrorism in Malaya should be continued with all possible vigour.

This Conservative paper endorsed the view that it was dangerous to consider any relaxation of this campaign.

The Yorkshire Post also submitted that peace in Korea might favour an expansion of Chinese activity in Malaya.

"Planters in Malaya have protested against the view that the emergency is ending and have declared against any tendency to relax," the paper began.

"They are right, and they can look for confirmation to General Templer, the High Commissioner, who spoke last month of a dangerous growth of complacency among the general public."

"To stress this point is not to say that matters are moving badly. They are not."

## GREEN CURTAIN

"Plenty of evidence exists to show that General Templer has been tackling a very difficult problem in the right way and that the terrorists' activities are gradually being circumscribed. But it does not follow that all will now be well."

"For one thing the Malayan jungle provides a green curtain behind which far-reaching preparations for the expansion of terrorism may be going on."

"In this exceedingly difficult terrain even the best intelligence—and the British Intelligence in Malaya is very good—"

## ATTACK IS THROWN BACK

Seoul, Apr. 8.  
The 8th Army said today that Belgian troops northwest of Kumhwa, on the central front, early today threw back an attack by nearly 200 Chinese after they had been forced to withdraw from an outpost position.

A briefing officer said that on an unknown number of Chinese opened an assault early this morning with heavy machine gun and rifle fire on a small outpost east of Sugar Loaf Hill.

The Belgians withdrew to their main line, and a few minutes later the Chinese launched an assault with nearly 200 men.—Reuter.

## Alleged Conspiracy: Woman Witness Cross-Examined

A respondent in certain divorce proceedings last year who was called as a witness against three private detectives charged with conspiracy to defeat the cause of justice at the Victoria District Court this morning denied that she was willing to make "any wild statement" so long as it suited her purpose.

Under cross-examination, the witness, Lee Sau-ying, admitted having done what she could with others to furnish evidence to back her divorce from her husband.

Wong was testifying against Lam Yung-hon, 34, proprietor of the Y. H. Lam Detective Agency, residing at 32 Village Road, first floor; Lam Yung-kei, 39, of 10 Shui On Street, ground floor; and Lam Yung-tai, 32, of 22 Yik Yam Street, third floor.

All three were alleged to have arranged for the fabrication of false evidence to be given in Divorce Jurisdiction Action No. 1 of 1952, between December 28, 1951, and July 12, 1952. The witness was the respondent in that action, and the petitioner was one Wong Kam-chiu.

The case is being heard by Judge A. D. Scholes, QC, and Mr. Leo d'Almada, QC, and Mr. Oswald Cheung, represent the first defendant, instructed by Mr. A. Lui, Second and third defendants are represented by Mr. D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr. Peter H. Sin.

The Prosecution is conducted by Mr. M. Morley-John and Mr. D. F. O'Reilly, Mayne, both Crown Counsel. They are assisted by Mr. J. Moore, Assistant Director of Criminal Investigation.

Defendants are on bail of \$10,000 each.

When Lee had finished her evidence this morning, hearing was adjourned until 9.30 a.m. on June 8. Originally, the case had been set down for hearing on that date, but owing to the fact that Lee was going to Singapore, it had been decided to hear her evidence first.

Continuing her evidence from a previous hearing, witness told the Court that when she and the second accused had gone into room 302, Shan Kwong Hotel, Happy Valley, the second accused told her to go to the bed and embrace him as soon as there was a knock at the door.

Witness said she complied with this request when she heard the knock. Someone came in with a camera and took a picture of her and the accused on the bed. That same night, she took a boat to Macao. Cross-examining, Mr. d'Almada recalled to witness that in her evidence she had said that she and her husband had agreed to live apart in November 1949.

Further questioned, witness agreed that some time before the incident at the hotel, she discussed the matter quite fully with her husband, but did not decide on a divorce at the time. She agreed further that by the time she returned from Macao after the hotel incident, and telephoned certain people, she had made up her mind to a divorce.

Counsel: So much so that you took the initiative, made telephone calls, and invited a man called Chan to tea?

Witness: Yes.

## COULD NOT AGREE

Did you do all this merely to oblige your husband or as a result of some consideration he paid you?—It was because he was going round with a girl. As we could not agree with one another and were unhappy, we decided to separate.

Therefore you decided to do what you could to furnish evidence for the divorce.—Yes.

Questioned on the evidence given by Lee of a meeting between herself and some men at the Lo Yee Yuen Restaurant, in which the first accused was alleged to have been present, Counsel reminded witness that in her evidence she had said that one of the men had looked like the first accused.

Lee told the Court that she actually saw the first accused sitting in the restaurant.

Mr. d'Almada then suggested to her that the truth of the matter was that, insofar as the first accused was concerned, the evidence witness gave at the last hearing—that she thought she saw the first accused at the restaurant—was the truth. Witness persisted that she had seen first accused.

In his cross-examination, Mr. Wright asked Lee if she could call herself a truthful and untainted woman. Witness replied in the affirmative.

## COULD NOT REMEMBER

Counsel then drew witness' attention to a register book of the Shan Kwong Hotel, and said that she had testified that she had written her name and that of another person in there. He then asked her if the characters she was said to have written were in her handwriting. Lee replied that she could not remember whether or not she had written these particular characters.

Mr. Wright put it to her that she in fact never wrote the characters in the book. Witness admitted this was possible, and that she could not remember clearly.

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